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Comment of the day

April promise

"Oh, to be in England there," says Robert Browning with more sentiment than meteorological accuracy. Nevertheless, we all know what he means, just as we know that an English April can bring any kind of weather, ranging from bitter frosts and snow to warm blazing sunshine.

For whereas here in Hongkong, the seasons do not follow one another so much as edge each other out of the way, in the north we see that perennial miracle of the earth awakening to life, after a long winter sleep.

One need not be a poet to be moved by the sight of a field full of golden daffodils, nor a sonneteer to stand in rapture and see the first green shoots appearing on the branches of a tree which has stood dead all winter.

HERE in the warmer sunnier climes, where nature is more lavish with her gifts and imprecident with her fertility, the miracle of April is not so apparent. Yet every year it happens, let men do their worst to plot and scheme, and muse upon ways and means of bringing about the downfall of their enemies. With unfailing promise, the sun clears away, the sun warms the earth, and the tiny shoots appear to give promise of a summer's bounty.

It is strange, yet no matter how mundane life can become, and no matter how complex we make our affairs, and how little time we allow ourselves to merely stand and gaze upon the miracle of a reawakening world, we are never really so base that the coming of April does not find a response within us. But the question is, what is that response today?

We know that in the past, so the poets tell us, there was a kind of happiness among men who lived closer to nature than we do, whose domestic affairs were closer tied to the things of the field and the garden, and not, as it were, as in our case, once removed from the buds and young growing crops.

FOR April to us is a visit to the florists, just as harvest is a matter of buying a few tins of canned food. Our miracles are not so much things of life and birth as things of the canning factory, or the mass artificial flower maker. Synthetic Aprils with synthetic flowers, and the true glory lost beneath a mass of business affairs.

April in Hongkong is not so apparent, as we have said. New leaves appear before the old ones have fallen, and the summer flowers hang on like visitors reluctant to leave. Yet the April miracle is here as well as in the climes where the frost has killed the leafy girth of the trees.

There is an added richness in our hedgerows, the birds are busy with their nests, the barren slopes are waiting for the first rains which will bring forth the new green shoots of grass. And ourselves? April surely, is a time for renewing our hopes, that as the earth promises once again to add to its ancient splendour, even the most mundane person, lost in the grey business of worry and stress, can see a new rich promise in the going of April.

Former American prisoner crosses border McCANN ARRIVES IN COLONY

Brought by special train to Louu

Mr Robert E. McCann, 60-year-old American businessman released from jail by the Communist Chinese on Monday crossed the border at 12.05 today. He came by a special train.

Three men and two women of the Chinese Red Cross Society carried Mr McCann on a stretcher. They stopped four or five feet away from the border line. The cancer-stricken American was transferred to another stretcher on the Hongkong side.

The minute he crossed over, a loud speaker on the Communist side boomed out martial music.

Mr McCann, in black cap, glasses and looking very thin, appeared to be in acute pain during the transfer from one stretcher to the other.

His wife, walking behind him, broke down and cried over the shoulders of the British and American Red Cross representatives.

Dr John Guerine of the USAF entered the ambulance with Mr McCann without Mrs McCann.

They sent Mr McCann to St Teresa's hospital for a quick check-up before deciding if he is strong enough to stand an immediate flight by USAF plane to Clark Field in the Philippines.

Mrs McCann, deeply stricken with grief, refused to say anything.

At the border to meet the McCanns were the British Red Cross representatives, Mrs Robin de Lange, two American Red Cross representatives including Mr Don Gillison, and Dr Guerine and Mr Henry Allen, Public Relations Officer of the USIS.

Drink in the clink

London, Apr. 6.
A former English Police station has been converted to a public house and brewery offices in Watford, Hertfordshire.

LIFE FOR FINCH AND MISTRESS

Los Angeles, Apr. 5.
Dr R. Bernard Finch and his sweetheart, Carole Trogoff, today were sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of his socialist wife.

The same jury of 10 men and two women that convicted them last week thus spared the wealthy surgeon and his ex-mistress from death in California's gas chamber.

The panel had deliberated for three suspenseful days on their only two choices: death in the gas chamber, or a life prison sentence.

The life imprisonment decision means they will be eligible for parole after seven years.

BROKE INTO SOBS

Red-haired Carole, 23, broke into sobs at the counsel table. Her lawyer, Donald Brinkgold, put his arm about her as he tried to console her.

Finch fell forward on the counsel table and buried his face in his folded arms on the table. He remained unmoving in this position for minutes.

The jury deliberated for 12 hours.

The defendants were convicted of murder and conspiracy in the fatal shooting on July 10, 1959, of Mrs Barbara Jean Finch. Finch admitted the shooting, but claimed it was accidental. The state, demanding the death penalty, called it cold blooded murder to prevent the doctor's wife from getting much of his considerable fortune via a divorce settlement.

Superior Judge David Coleman complimented members of his court staff on their performance throughout the long trial, then complimented the jurors for their work.

Both defence lawyers made motions for a new trial.—AP.

The new pub, "The Robert Finch" as recently opened by Mr J. A. Briggs, Managing Director of Benskin's, a subsidiary of Ind Coopers.

Part of what is now the saloon bar was once part of the cell block. The draught beer cellar has been created from former cells and a ring for securing prisoners may still be seen in one of the walls. But the most striking feature is the natural qualities of the former "cooler."

The public bar was formerly the charge room and office, and has fixed seating arranged in small groups. The service area behind the counter was once the passage of the cell block.

The saloon bar, formerly the recreation room and part of the cells, has a separate dining area. Now it is comfortably furnished with fitted carpets and scattered seating grouped around copper-topped tables but the beer-engine handles are wooden "truncheons"—as a reminder.—LPS.

Kennedy hits guard with golf ball

Washington, Apr. 5.
President Kennedy hit a secret service officer on the head with a golf ball during a round on Monday in Florida, a White House spokesman said today.

Mr Pierre Salinger, the President's Press Secretary, said Mr Kennedy had insisted that the secret service man should go for an immediate medical checkup.

The man, whom Mr Salinger did not identify, returned about three hours later apparently none the worse for his experience—and completed the round guarding the President.—Reuter.

11 dead: 23 missing

Tokyo, Apr. 5.
Police today raised the death toll to 11 and reported 23 persons missing under two avalanches that buried two villages in different parts of Hokkaido today.—Reuter.

NEW U.S. CONSUL FOR HONGKONG

Washington, Apr. 5.
The State Department announced today the appointment of career diplomat Cecil Lyon, former Ambassador to Chile and current deputy chief of the U.S. Embassy in Paris, as Consul-General in Hongkong.

Ambassador to Vietnam, Mr Elbridge Durbrow, will succeed Mr Lyon as Deputy Chief of Mission and Minister in Paris.

Mr Durbrow, also a career officer with extensive experience in Europe, will assist the new U.S. Ambassador, Lieutenant General James M. Gavin, a newcomer to diplomatic service.

Mr Lyon, a New Yorker and Harvard graduate, served in Hongkong in 1932 and had subsequent assignments in Peking and Tientsin. His career includes posts in Latin America, the Middle East and Berlin. He is 57.

Mr Durbrow ranks high in the opinion of government officials and congressmen for his work in South Vietnam where he has been Ambassador since 1957. Born in San Francisco on September 21, 1903, he attended Yale, Stanford and Dijon universities and the L'Ecole Libre Des Sciences Politiques in Paris.—UPI.

Shipowner seizes cargo

Taipei, Apr. 5.
A Chinese shipowner said today he has ordered a Japan-bound shipload of scrap iron to Formosa to force payment of freight charges.

Mr Chou Tsao-yi, general manager of the Yu Tung Navigation Co, said the freighter Yu Tung and its half million dollar cargo of scrap from Canada will dock at Keelung about April 12 and remain there till the dispute over chartering fees is settled.

Mr Chou said he gave the order for the ship, now in the north Pacific, to change its course after failing in efforts to compromise an overdue freight bill of \$98,000.

The ship was under charter to a New York firm which has gone bankrupt and the Japanese consignee, Okaya Steel Co of Osaka, refused his proposal to share the loss, Mr Chou asserted.

He said his contract permits him to seize the cargo for payment of charges. The shipper has been identified as Consumer Metal Co of Montreal.—AP.

Tshombe calls off boycott

Elisabethville, Apr. 5.
President Moise Tshombe of the breakaway Congo province of Katanga tonight called off his one-day-old boycott of United Nations personnel.

Tension which mounted after the arrest by Swedish UN soldiers of a platoon of Katanga troops trying to take over Elisabethville airport was eased tonight with an agreement to restore "normal relations" between Katanga and UN soldiers and civilians.

The agreement was reached at a meeting lasting several hours between President Tshombe and General Sean McKeeown, Irish commander of UN troops in the Congo.

The Katanga Government said it would suspend measures imposed yesterday which made it an offence for Katangans to have any contacts with UN personnel.—Reuter.

Macmillan and Kennedy discuss China problem

Washington, Apr. 5.
President Kennedy and Mr Harold Macmillan tonight exchanged views on the question of seating Communist China in the United Nations, official spokesmen said.

The issue was raised at the White House talks between the President and the Prime Minister in the context of a review of United Nations problems.

The spokesman said that the President and the Prime Minister had tried to estimate what the situation would be at the next regular session of the United Nations General Assembly in September.

They said there was a review of the sentiment as it was now in the United Nations and an estimate of what it might be next September.

Sir Patrick Dean and Mr Adlai Stevenson, the respective chief delegates to the United Nations, took part in the exchange of views.

Differences

American sources said there was a difference of approach between British and the United States on the issue of whether to seat China. But they added that Britain was not pushing these differences.

These sources said there had been no attempt to reconcile the positions of the United States and Britain on the issue of China.

The British side was understood to feel that rather than there being an agreement to disagree it was hoped that at some time in the future there would be agreement on the China issue.

The spokesmen emphasised that the meetings were not conferences but really an exchange of views ranging from the major world subjects at issue.

They said that the talks had been "a most favourable and useful exercise... to see where we stand and where we are going."

Colonialism

British sources said that from Mr Macmillan's point of view, the meetings provided an opportunity for him to receive from the President personally the new administration's ideas on all world problems.

These sources said there had been more than 15 minutes discussion of the Berlin problem and they expected that the President and the Prime Minister would again take up that subject tomorrow afternoon.

During the discussion of colonialism practically every territory on the continent of Africa was referred to and a passing reference was made to the policies of either side on United Nations discussion about the Portuguese colony of Angola.

It was understood, however, that apart from a brief reference to the Congo during the review of United Nations problems, there had been no detailed discussion about the Congo.

This morning the President and the Prime Minister discussed (1) International finance and economic problems; and (2) Nato and Western collaboration.

STOP PRESS

In hospital

Mr McCann arrived at Teresa's Hospital shortly before 1.40 pm today and was carried in on a stretcher for a medical check-up.

Our reporter covering the arrival of Mr McCann at the hospital said that the train bringing Mr and Mrs McCann to Shumchun on the Chinese side of the border had arrived at 6 a.m.—six hours before they crossed the frontier.

American Consular officials did not know of this.

The Passport Office on the British side was the first to be notified that the McCanns had arrived but it was not known before going to press when the office was notified.

19 killed in Iraq riots

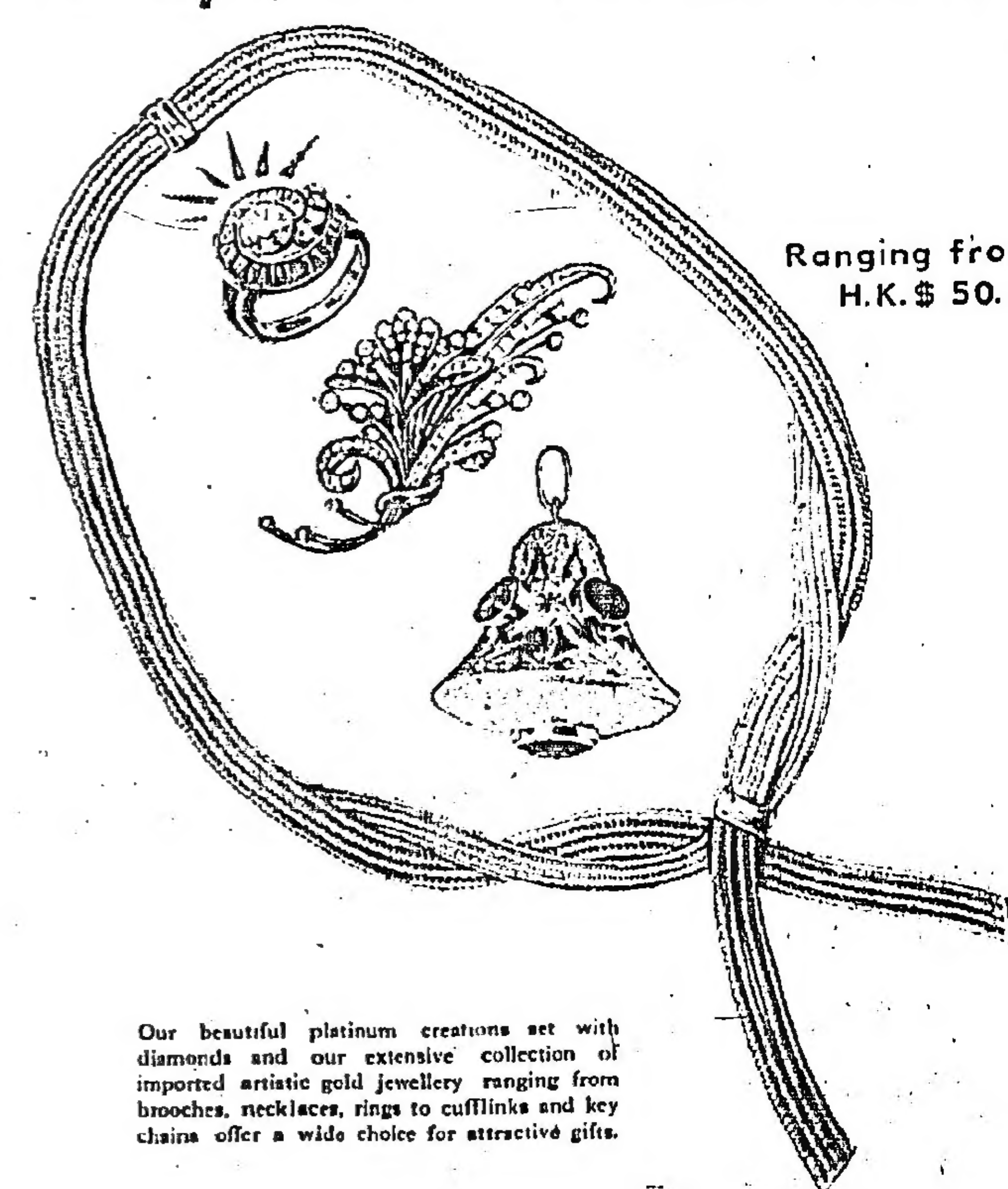
Beirut, Apr. 5.
Travellers arriving here tonight from Baghdad, said that 19 students were killed and about 40 wounded when the army opened fire during last week's strike by taxi drivers in protest against higher petrol prices.

The students returned today to university classes after a one-day protest strike commemorating the seventh day of the killings, the travellers added.

They added that General Kassem, the Prime Minister, ordered a special committee to probe the killings.

A Western diplomat is quoted as saying the Government wanted people to believe that the troops acted without authority.—Reuter.

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WALL STREET STOCKS DECLINE

New York, Apr. 5.
The stock market declined today. Trading was heavy, but not up to the frantic pace of yesterday when 7,080,000 shares changed hands, the highest number in 5½ years.

The market was a little lower at the opening. It moved substantially lower in the morning, but cut its losses by about one-third in afternoon trading.

Most losses ranged from a few cents to around \$2 a share. Standard and Poor's 300 stock index lost 20 cents at \$56.46, indicating the erosion of about \$1,200 million from the quoted value of all stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

WARNING

Of 1,301 issues traded, 654 declined, 411 advanced and 236 closed unchanged. There were 84 new 1961 highs and ten new lows.

Steels, cars, rubbers, non-ferrous metals, chemicals, rails and utilities declined. Aircrafts and drugs were mixed. Petroleum and tobacco advanced.

The Dow Jones 30 Industrials were down 1.41 to 677.32.

The Associated Press 60-stock average fell 1.20 to 243.00.

Volume fell to 5,430,000 shares.

Wall Street analysts said the reduced volume may have been due to a warning issued by G. Keith Funston, President of the New York Stock Exchange, after the close yesterday. Funston said the huge volume of trading was apparently attracting investors to stocks they know little or nothing about. He warned against too much speculation.—AP.

Closing prices

Amulib Pwr. & Paper	39 1/2
Alcoa Ind. Acct.	70 1/2
Algonia Steel Corp.	70 1/2
Allied Chem. Ind.	70 1/2
Allied Mills Inc.	40 1/2
Allis Chalmers	65 1/2
Am. Brake Shoe	44 1/2
American Airline	23 1/2
Am. Cable & Radio Corp.	47 1/2
American Cyanamid Co.	47 1/2
Am. Gas & Electric	10 1/2
Am. Home Prod.	22 1/2
Am. Mach. & Foundry	11 1/2
American Metals	89 1/2
Am. Nat. Gas	60 1/2
American Paper	12 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	70 1/2
American Tob.	70 1/2
Amex	23 1/2
Ansco's Copper	70 1/2

NOTICE

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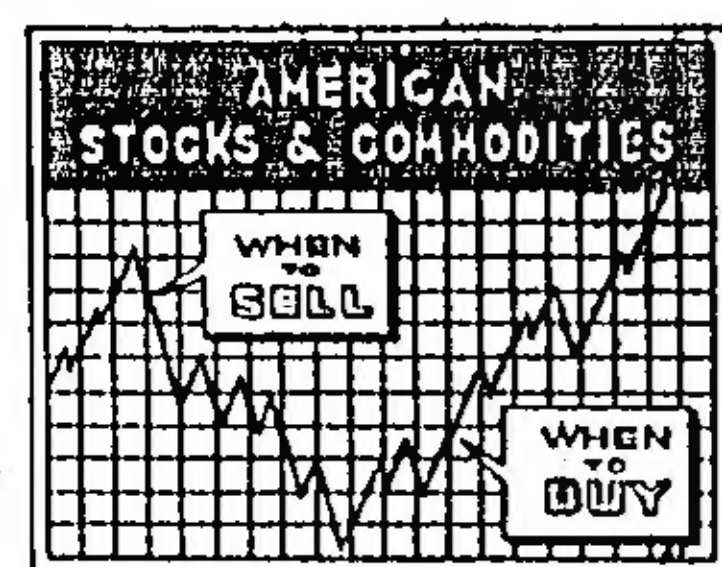
Notice To Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the thirty third Ordinary Annual General Meeting of the company will be held at the Company Office, Jordan Road Ferry Pier, Kowloon, on Saturday, the 8th April, 1961, at 12.00 noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the directors and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1960, to declare dividends, to elect directors and to appoint auditors.

Notice is also given that the share register of the company will be closed from Thursday, the 23rd March, 1961 to Saturday, the 8th April, 1961, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
LAU CHAN KWOK
Managing Director

Hongkong, 10th March, 1961.



TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

On Stock Trends

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United Fruit	20 1/2	Waukesha Motors	37 1/2
United Gas Corp.	34 1/2	Westinghouse Air Brake	20 1/2
U.S. Line	100 1/2	Western Union Tel. Co.	52 1/2
U.S. Gypsum	33 1/2	West Va. Twp. & Paper	30 1/2
U.S. Rubber	33 1/2	Winn-Dixie Stores	30 1/2
U.S. Steel	33 1/2	Woolworth (K. W.)	42 1/2
U.S. Steel 7 P.C. PF	140 1/2	Zenith Radio	13 1/2
Warner Bros.	80 1/2		

COMMODITY PRICES

COTTON

SAO PAULO
All unquoted.
(Closing prices all in cruzeiro per lb.)
Average price in U.S. at 14 designated spot markets: 31.25 cents
Total sales: 12,004 bales.

LIVERPOOL

Closing prices all in pence per lb.	
American Contract	24.70
May	24.70
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RUBBER

SINGAPORE

Closing prices all in Straits cents per lb. f.o.b. Malayan ports:

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No. 3 Apr.	82 1/2-82 1/2
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No. 4 Apr.	81 1/2-81 1/2
May	81 1/2-81 1/2
Spot rubber unbleached	67-68
Blanket strips	80 1/2-80 1/2
No. 1 pale crepe	80 1/2-80 1/2

LONDON

Closing prices all in pence per lb.

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ALGERIAN TERRORISM

Five injured in two bomb explosions

Algiers, Apr. 5. Five people were injured, one of them seriously, in two separate bomb explosions here. All the casualties occurred when a bomb exploded in the Government Square tonight.

Later reports said that "a terrorist," who was not immediately identified, had thrown a grenade into the square.

Natives face measles danger

Darwin, Apr. 5. The strictest quarantine ever imposed in the Northern Territory is now in force in an attempt to prevent the spread of measles—a deadly disease among natives, it was reported today.

Three cases of the disease have been reported in the Bathurst Island mission. They are a European mother and child and a native girl.

The Director of Health of the Northern Territory, Dr. I. Byrne, said today, "Measles is a highly dangerous disease among natives. We are taking absolutely no chances with this outbreak."

PROBLEM

Dr. Byrne has imposed a ban on all travel between the mainland and Bathurst Island and neighbouring Melville Island where there are large groups of natives.

"If the epidemic reaches the mainland we will be faced with a tremendous problem," said Dr. Byrne.

"We are prepared to use the most expensive drugs for as long as possible to prevent its spread."

About 900 natives live on Bathurst Island and 300 on Melville Island, both off the mainland.—China Mail Special.

The other explosion took place last night but no one was injured. The blast damaged the offices of the offices of Radio Algiers.

TENNIS BALL

"I thought it was a tennis ball," said a shocked policeman who casually kicked the bomb minutes before it exploded.

The policeman said he noticed a round object about the size of a man's fist and covered with what appeared to be thick cloth lying on the Rue Victor Hugo near the radio station.

The officer casually kicked it to one side and passed on down the street. Less than two minutes later there was a tremendous blast. The officer hurried back to the scene to find a hole where the "tennis ball" had been.—AP.

Request for release of rebel leader

Paris, Apr. 6. Mr. Ahmed Balafout, former Moroccan Prime Minister and King Hassan's roving envoy, said today that the King of Morocco had asked for the release of Ben Bella (the imprisoned Algerian insurgent leader) and his companions.

His disclosure came after delivering a message from King Hassan to President de Gaulle. He said "The general replied that he was going to consider this question."—Reuter.

Captain sentenced for desertion

Paris, Apr. 5. Marseilles Military Tribunal has sentenced in his absence Captain Jean-Baptiste Ferrandi, former aide to General Raoul Salan, to 10 years hard labour for desertion, the Armed Forces Ministry said today.

He was also stripped of his rank and military privileges. Ferrandi served with General Salan when he was commander-in-chief of the French forces in Algeria, he is now in Spain with the General.—Reuter.

No change in Evian's plans to hold Algerian peace talks

Evian-Les-Bains, Apr. 5. Evian Town Council declared today there was "no change" in arrangements for peace talks between France and the Algerian insurgents originally due to have opened here on Friday.

S. AFRICAN LEADERS ARRESTED

Johannesburg, Apr. 5. Two South African leaders recently acquitted in the South Africa treason trial were arrested today.

They are alleged to be linked with the organisation of last month's all-Africa conference at Pietermaritzburg, which threatened nationwide strikes unless a multi-racial convention is held before South Africa becomes a republic next month.

Joseph Molewi, an executive member of the banned Pan-African Congress, was remanded on the charge of carrying out the activities of an unlawful organisation.

Duma Nokwe, Secretary-General of the African National Congress, surrendered after a warrant for his arrest was issued, and was charged under the Unlawful Organisations Act and the Suppression of Communism Act.

REMANDED

Mr Molewi was arrested by security branch police at 6 a.m. as he boarded a bus.

In court he was remanded on £100 bail until June 15, when he will appear with others said to have organised the all-Africa conference.

Nokwe later appeared in the magistrates court here and was remanded until June 15, on £100 bail.—Reuter.

Evacuated

Adelaide, Apr. 5. Scores of employees were evacuated from the Adelaide Advertiser newspaper building today in the third bomb scare in South Australia in the past five days.

An unidentified man made three telephone calls today, warning that a bomb was set to go off in the building at 11 a.m.

Police sealed the doors of the building until 11.15 a.m.

Another bomb scare occurred at the Oakbank racecourse grandstand, near Adelaide, last Saturday.

Police have declined to give details of a second bomb scare believed to have taken place during the weekend.—China Mail Special.

Fear and indignation have swept this little lakeside town in the French Alps following the violent death of its popular mayor in a terrorist bomb blast and a flood of threatening letters promising more trouble to come.

But tonight, despite the surges that they will not go to Evian "as things stand at present," everything was in place as if the talks would go on as planned.

Latest news in Paris was that the French delegation headed by Mr Louis Joxe, Minister for Algeria, would be at Evian on Friday—unless the Cabinet meeting under General de Gaulle tomorrow morning decided differently.

Meanwhile police throughout France were reported to be probing the wave of pistol bomb attacks attributed to rightwing extremists determined to "stop at nothing" to torpedo peace negotiations.

STRICT BLACKOUT

The police maintained a strict blackout on their anti-terrorist measures despite press and public criticism.

"We are not going to give away our plans and thus rob them of their effectiveness," one official said.

Checks were reported on explosive manufacturers and depots in the drive to trace the "bombers" but police pointed out that large stocks of plastic originally destined for the wartime resistance still existed in France.

Some doubt was also expressed that the authors of threatening letters or pamphlets were necessarily the men behind the blasts which killed the mayor of Evian and injured 14 people in the Paris bombings.

Interior ministry officials issued a warning that anyone who placed a plastic charge in a public building faced a possible death penalty.—Reuter.

German troops in France

Metz, Apr. 4. The vanguard of 1,000 German soldiers who are to hold spring manoeuvres near here arrived at a French army camp at Bietche today.

The main body of the soldiers and 300 vehicles will arrive on Monday.

The Germans are to hold a series of exercises, under the Franco-German agreement providing for training of German troops in France, between April 10 and May 9.—Reuter.

NEW WEST GERMAN FORCES CHIEF

Bonn, Apr. 5. Gen. Friedrich Foorisch, a 60-year-old infantry officer who fought against the Russians in World War II, today became the new Chief of Staff of the West German armed forces.

Foorisch was serving as Deputy Chief of Staff of Plans and Policy at NATO headquarters in Paris when he was named on Feb. 23, succeeded Gen. Adolf Heusinger, who in his five years as Chief of Staff built the new West German armed forces from scratch to 300,000 men, has become Chairman of NATO's permanent military committee in Washington.—AP.

Spy fever in Britain

—Red radio

London, Apr. 5. Commenting on reports that Soviet travelers were spying on American Polaroid submarines using the base at Holy Loch, Scotland, Moscow radio said tonight the "flame of spy fever" was "designed to distract public attention from the real danger."

"Someone in Britain wanted to neutralise the strong movement for peace, nuclear disarmament and the country's withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation," the radio said.

It went on to speak of "imaginary radio signals" and said "all this cheap trash scarcely requires refutation."

"A whole hullabaloo has been raised, but... nothing has been discovered except the fact that the trawlers are actually fishing and strictly in international waters."—Reuter.

Stubborn demonstrator



The U.S. Polaris missile-carrying submarine, the Patrick Henry, was boarded by three members of an anti-Polaris group the other day, as she lay moored alongside the depot ship Protos in Holy Loch. The three bore down on the sub, in canoes. One of the three, Michael Nolan, aged 26 (above) climbed on to the tall fin of the submarine, which was separated from the deck of the main hull by ten feet of water. He sat there shivering for half an hour until he was pulled off by policemen into a launch. While Nolan squatted on the tall fin, an officer on the submarine hailed him through a megaphone and invited him to come aboard and have a cup of coffee. He declined.—Express Photo.

U.S. wants full discussion of Hungary, Tibet

United Nations, Apr. 5. The United States insists that a full discussion of the questions of Hungary and Tibet should be held during the current session of the U.N. General Assembly, the spokesman of the U.S. delegation said today.

He was replying to a proposal made in the political committee by the Soviet representative.

The spokesman said the two questions would probably come up before the General Assembly, which had been due for debate tomorrow.

Soviet delegate Valerian Zorin, only a few minutes earlier, had proposed that discussion of the questions of Hungary and Tibet be deferred, "in the interests of détente."

The American spokesman said however that the United States insisted on a "complete" discussion of these questions at the present session of the General Assembly and has already taken steps to ensure that they be discussed as soon as possible.

OTHER COUNTRIES

He said the Hungary and Tibet questions would probably be taken up before that of Angola, which was to have come before the Assembly tomorrow.

The United States, he added, was not the master of these two questions, which involved many other countries.

The spokesman, explaining the U.S. government's position, said the two questions should be discussed now by the Assembly because they were current business which should be expedited.

There have been resolutions passed which have not been observed and which should be recalled, he said, or else other resolutions should be adopted, but in any case, these questions should not simply be forgotten.

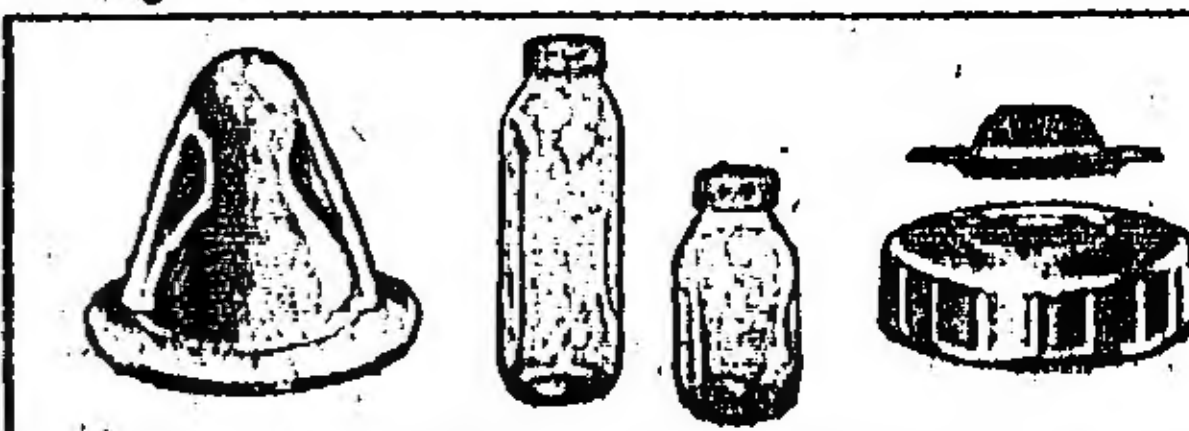
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Cats get right to vote

Southend, Apr. 5. This nation of animal lovers today took what must be the ultimate in the emancipation of four-footed friends.

Official postcards, entitled "Porky Mist" and his younger brother "Tim" to vote in this seaside resort's municipal elections, were dropped through the letter box at 55, Porter's Grange-avenue here.

Porter and Tim are tom cats. The franchise was arranged by their owner, 60-year-old paper merchant Robin Mist.

Mr Mist, a bachelor, plans to leave everything to his cats when he dies.

THEIR FUTURE

"I have to think of them and their future," he explained. "As they will be householders after I go I thought they should have the right to vote. So I filled in the necessary electoral forms. Their names were added to the electoral roll."

Now he is going to try to get the vote for his two younger cats "Gingerman" and "Shasha."

"I'm not a crank," said Mr Mist, "but like Queen Victoria, I place my faith more in animals than in humans." Officials declined comment, but were reported investigating.—UPI.

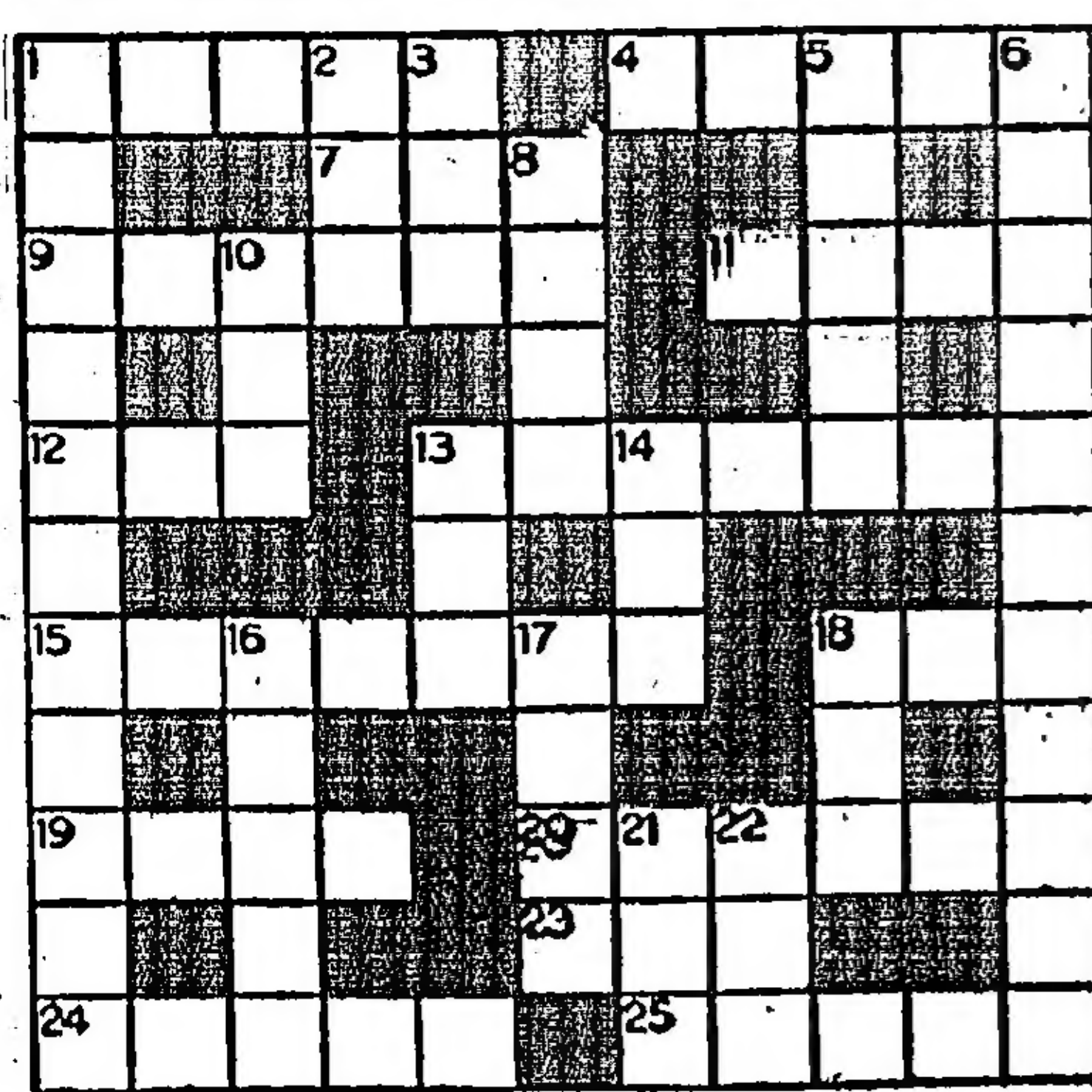
IRA BLOW UP BRIDGES

Belfast, Apr. 5. Terrorists believed to be members of the outlawed Irish Republican Army organisation today blew up two road bridges in Northern Ireland.

The bridges were in County Fermanagh, between Belcoo and Garrison, near the border with the southern republic.

One bridge, carrying a side road, was completely destroyed. The other, the main road bridge was severely damaged. No one was injured by the explosions.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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| 7 Success, | 3 Title, |
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| 12 Meat, | 9 Ruler, |
| 13 Stop, | 10 Vigour, |
| 15 Pain-killer, | 13 Average, |
| 18 Cavily, | 14 Age, |
| 20 Neat, | 15 Haughtiness, |
| 22 Obvious, | 17 Devil, |
| 23 Prosecute, | 18 Author, |
| 24 Vision, | 21 Bird, |
| 25 Joint, | 22 Digit. |

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Sober, 6 Plain, 9 One, 10 In-law, 11 Lyrics, 12 Ada, 13 Exer, 14 Ken, 15 Met, 16 Fission, 21 Net, 23 Adam, 26 Pledge, 28 Wet, 31 Arc, 32 Net, 34 Art, 36 Natch, 37 Ruins, 38 Era, 39 Green, 40 Elder, Down: 1 Solemn, 2 Onyx, 3 Doret, 4 Links, 5 Plane, 6 Lad, 7 Away, 8 Newt, 10 Ether, 17 Era, 18 Amp, 20 Nag, 22 Eve, 24 Dented, 26 Mother, 27 Latin, 28 Dense, 29 Wing, 30 Taro, 32 Acre, 33 Fly.

CURIO SHOP MURDER ACCUSED SENT FOR TRIAL

London, Apr. 5. Mrs Elsie Batten, 59-year-old wife of British sculptor Mark Batten, had two daggers buried in her body when she was found murdered last month in a London curio shop, a magistrate was told here today.

A white-handled knife protruding from her chest had been buried almost clean through her body, prosecuting counsel said.

A second brown-handled dagger was stuck in her neck as she lay amid antiques and bric-a-brac in the back of the crowded little shop just off the bustling Charing Cross-road.

A third dagger was under her body. She had also been stabbed in the back and the stomach and had a head injury. Her clothes appeared to have been slashed by dagger stabs which had not penetrated to the body, counsel added.

Dark-skinned

Edwin Bush, 21-year-old dark-skinned, slightly built labourer was before the court on a charge of having murdered her on March 3.

The murder daggers had come from "a tremendous pile" at the back of the shop, counsel said.

Mrs Batten, whose husband is a former President of the Royal Society of Sculptors, worked there in the morning. Police using for the first time

a method perfected by United States police had built from witness descriptions two composite faces of an "Indian" who had visited the shop and a nearby gunsmith's the previous day accompanied by a girl.

These composite faces were sketched, photographed and circulated to the police, press and television.

Hit in back

After police had picked up Bush and a blonde girl friend in the London West End, counsel said the accused produced two newspaper cuttings of the composite face and remarked that the girl "looked a bit like himself."

At the time Bush and Miss Janet Wheeler were going to buy an engagement ring worth £16 though he was known to be out of work and without money.

Later in an alleged statement to the police Bush said that after visiting the shop he returned the following day and asked the woman there to wrap up a sword saying he would return to pay for it.

"I came back and went into the shop and started looking for daggers," the statement added. "I picked one up and hit her in the back. She fell on the floor and started moaning. I lost my nerve."

"She tried to get up and I grabbed a knife and hit her in the stomach. I put one in her neck and one in her heart. I picked up a stone. I hit her. I ran round the block."

Counsel said the girl alleged to have gone into the curio shop with Bush on the day before the attack was not Miss Wheeler. The girl who accompanied him was in fact his sister who is "as dark as he is."

Old Bailey

Mr Louis Meier, owner of the curio shop, told the court he picked up Bush as the man he had seen the previous day from 12 half-crown at an identification parade.

Bush was sent for trial at the Old Bailey, Central Criminal Court. He pleaded not guilty, and reserved his defence.—China Mail Special.

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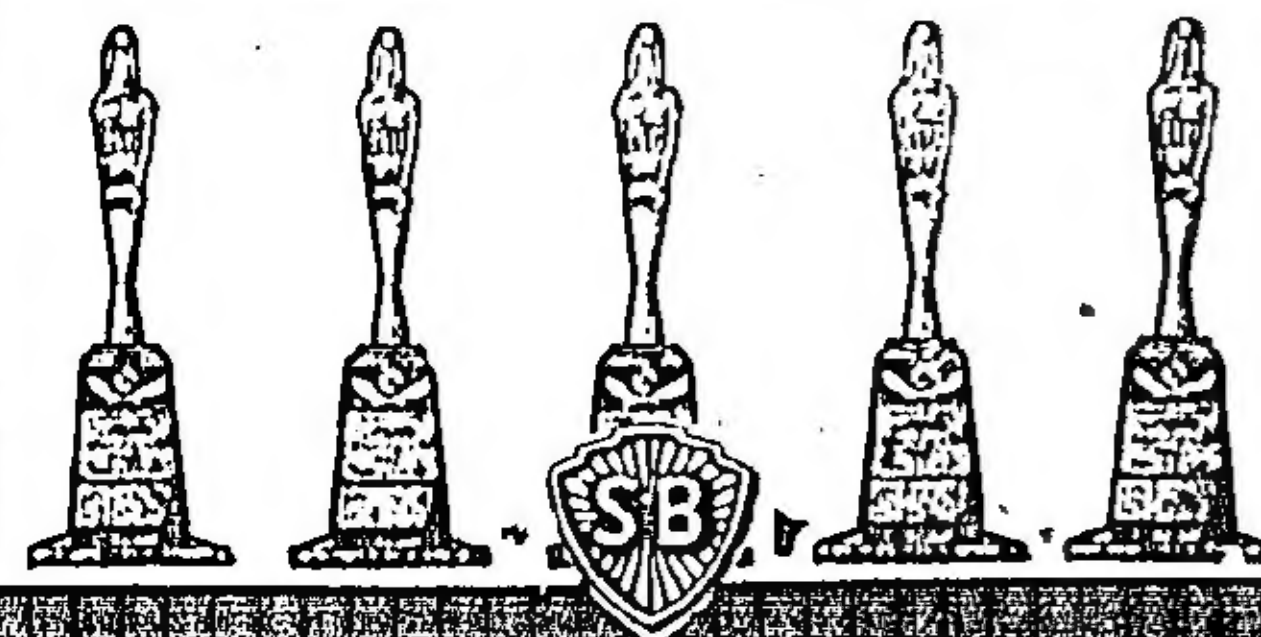
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To-Morrow Morning Show "Bombers II-25"

JACKIE TO GIVE TEA PARTY FOR LADY DOROTHY

Washington, Apr. 5. The White House announced today that Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy will entertain Lady Dorothy Macmillan at a small tea party this afternoon. Besides the wife of the visiting British Premier, other guests will include Mrs. Dean Rusk, wife of the Secretary of State; Lady Anne Caccia, wife of the British Ambassador; and Mrs. David K. E. Bruce, wife of the US Ambassador to Britain.—UPI.

Former child actor on robbery charge

Malibu, Apr. 5. Bobby Driscoll, 24, one-time child actor, and a woman companion were booked on Wednesday on suspicion of burglary.

Driscoll and Mrs. Suzanne Stansbury, 34, were taken into custody at Mrs. Stansbury's home here.

They were arrested after police checked out a license number given by a witness who heard the breaking of glass at an animal clinic on Tuesday night and then saw a car speed away.

Both Driscoll and Mrs. Stansbury denied any connection with the matter.

Officers said \$450 in checks were taken from the animal clinic and have not been recovered.—AP.

Dr Fisher leaves for Uganda

London, Apr. 5. Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, the Archbishop of Canterbury, left on Wednesday for Uganda to attend the inauguration of the Church of Uganda and Ruanda-Urundi as a new Province of the Anglican Communion.—AP.

Capitol

TO-DAY
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Ship still aground in Pacific

Sydney, Apr. 5. The 64 crewmen of the British freighter, *Runic*, aground on a reef in the Pacific, left by air today for England.

Offers for the ship, which went aground 120 miles north of Lord Howe Island, on February 19, are still being considered.

Shaw Saville's general manager in Australia, Mr. W. Donaldson, said today the company still retained salvage rights.

Anyone going aboard would be trespassing and anything removed from the ship would be theft, he added.

"There are no occupants, and we have merely closed up shop," he said.

All efforts to refloat the ship, which is worth £2½ million, have been abandoned.—China Mail Special.

Cyprus to be 'invaded'

London, Apr. 5. Several thousand British paratroopers will carry out a peaceful "invasion" of Cyprus early next month, the Defence Ministry said today.

They will take part in the first large-scale British military exercise to be held on the island since it became independent last August.

The exercise will involve the three parachute battalions of Britain's regular Army which together make up 16 Parachute Brigade Group.

One battalion has been in Cyprus for some time and the others will be flown out. Britain's near east Air Force will provide logistic support during the exercise.—China Mail Special.

International court elections

The Hague, Apr. 5. Judge Bohdan Winiarski, 77, of Poland, was elected President of the International Court of Justice here today, and Judge Ricardo J. Alfaro, 78, of Panama, was elected Vice-President.

They succeed Judge Helge Klæstad of Norway and Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan of Pakistan, who retired from the 15-member panel of judges when their nine-year terms ended on February 5.

The new president and vice-president were elected at a private meeting of the judges.—Reuter.

Holidaying in West Indies with actor Vivien Leigh to marry?

Port of Spain, Apr. 5. Rumours are sweeping this West Indian island that British actress Vivien Leigh will marry English actor John Merrill at Tobago, the fabled island home of Daniel Defoe's Robinson Crusoe.

The rumours gained strength following an Easter Monday flight the couple made to Tobago for a holiday at Arnos Vale, the honeymoon retreat of Princess Margaret and Antony Armstrong-Jones.

Neither Miss Leigh nor Merrill could be contacted on Wednesday, but officials said there could be no marriage this week as, according to the law non-residents must establish a seven-day residential qualification. Even then, they added, the Governor would have to issue a special marriage licence.—AP.



VIVIEN LEIGH

The First Sea Lord on Australia and the Far East

Sydney, Apr. 5. The First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Carrington, said today that Australia, and New Zealand have a vital part to play in keeping the flag of Western civilisation flying in the Far East.

He was speaking at a reception by the New South Wales branch of the Navy League of Australia.

Lord Carrington said that he was very impressed with the way in which the Royal Australian Navy and the Royal Navy combined on many matters.

"We in the British Navy are building versatility into as many ships as possible," he added.

New ships

"We have an allocation of £410 million a year and have to use it to its greatest advantage.

"New ships are being built and carry helicopters for anti-submarine work."

"At present we are converting the obsolete HMS Albion into our second commando carrier."

President of the league, Rear-Admiral H. A. Showers, said the league's main objective was to stress the need for sea power in Australia.—China Mail Special.

Appeal court quashes conviction

Belfast, Apr. 5. Patrick Gallagher, 39-year-old Irishman sentenced to be hanged last February, had his conviction quashed by a Court of Appeal here today.

Gallagher had been found guilty of murdering his wife last September, but the Appeal Court said today that the Lord Chief Justice at the original trial had misdirected the jury as to the law applicable to insanity.

The three appeal court judges made an order providing for the detention of Gallagher pending a possible appeal by the Crown to the House of Lords.—China Mail Special.

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SHE WON'T TALK...

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Clark Gable's Baby

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He had lived 59 years on this earth and had had five wives, but for all his fame and fortune, the one great longing of his life had eluded him. To have a son, his own personal stake in immortality.

And now, four months too late for him to see, his son is born.

So that many couples blessed with children themselves growing up around them will pity that fatherless child, comparing its future lot with that of their own offspring.

Since surely there is a more genuine cause for pity in having to say: "This child has never seen and will never see its father," than having to say: "There is no money in that family for treats or luxuries for any child."

For is not the greatest luxury in life to be loved? Smile patronisingly at that, condemn it as a platitude, if you choose.

But when a man or woman starts giving you a catalogue of all their possessions, don't you have the same uneasy feeling that I do, that they are only trying to fortify themselves against the fears that confront them in the small hours of the morning? They are not loved. Except by themselves.

So we should not pity Clark Gable's son too much, since no child was ever more wanted by both its parents, though only one is left to tell him so.

To give him the overflowing love that so many children for one reason or another are starved of so that they grow up feeling unwanted and desperately insecure.

My father left my mother when I was 10 years old and thus for the rest of his life became a remote legend in our family. The wrong kind of legend.

It will be different for Gable's son. Wonderful stories will be recounted of his father's prowess, not simply as an irresistible lover on the screen but as a man's man, a sportsman and a hunter, with overwhelming virility, without fear.

Haunted

I hope with all my heart that the legend will never be allowed to make the boy himself afraid. That can happen so easily. Indeed, it happened to one of my own grandchildren.

His father was a submariner who won the D.S.O. and performed incredible feats of

daring before his submarine was finally reported "overdue." The son was only a small boy then, who slept always with a picture of his father in uniform beside his bed.

Today he is a man, haunted by trying to live up to his father's memory.

He is a perfectly ordinary young man, not particularly good at anything, but always ready to have a try.

In his heart he knows—because his mother's obsession has been unable to conceal it—that she is disappointed that although in appearance he has a distinct look of his father, he lacks the dash, the heroic stature.

It was so easy for the mother, too easy, to seek to comfort herself for her husband's loss by over-dramatising him as a



hero in the eyes of the son who was all that was left to her. I do not blame her, or any other mother faced with similar circumstances, though I do beseech Clark Gable's widow not to fall into the same fatal trap.

Struggle

I have seen many other sons, especially only sons, unbearably overshadowed by their father's own fame and success, in business or in politics. So much so, that it has turned them sometimes almost into ciphers for the psychiatrist.

Their whole existence becomes one long struggle to be free of the bondage, to make their own impact upon the world, to be themselves and not just a pale shadow of their celebrated parent.

However, make no mistake. The burden of a living father's personality, based on overwhelming confidence in his own powers, can be less of a challenge to any child than echoes from the grave.

And this the Gable child may discover I am afraid in the years ahead. However, he possesses this great advantage. He is a male child and so he will avoid all the complexities that might have been his had this so-publicised, so-wanted baby, turned out in the end to be a girl.

For had that happened, sooner or later it would have been made only too clear to the child that its legendary father had longed above all else for a son and immediately it would have classed itself with dismay as a poor substitute.

I have seen that happen too. I remember visiting the home of a millionaire with an only child. She was a girl of 15 then.

She sat between her parents at the long dining-room table with a footman behind her chair. Masterpieces glowed upon the wall. But there was no warmth in that room.

The daughter hardly lifted her head from the plate. She did not speak while her parents talked over her head to their guest.

Listless

Yet my attention was not with them. Instead I was fascinated by the clumsy movements with her hands as though subconsciously seeking even now to become the boy they had passionately longed for, the heir to a fabulous throne.

When her father died, he left her a great fortune, and going to stay with her soon afterwards I recognised some of the pictures on the wall.

While I exclaimed on their beauty, she looked at them listlessly.

For what she herself was remembering, what she could never forget, was that during her parents' lifetime she was so seldom the recipient of that spontaneous feeling that is beyond price, the sense of truly being wanted.

Do we not all have that same longing, however much we may cover it up by a surface air of tough indifference?

There are those, of course, who stalk like leopards through the forest, but they do so usually because they have been hurt or let down once too often, not because they truthfully believe that he travels furthest who travels alone.

It is terrible to watch what can happen to a human being who is not loved or wanted by anyone outside working hours. They shrivel and grow old before their time.

Praise be, that will not happen to Clark Gable's son. And it is for that reason, not because of the wealth that his father has bequeathed him, nor the legend of his fame, that I count this boy as one of the most fortunate among that day's crop of babies.

I wonder if you feel the same. —(London Express Service).

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Sam White Paris News

The Count, four years married, wins his expensive 'breach' fight

Paris. BREACH of promise cases are so rare in France that it seems almost fitting that the first such case that I can recall should concern a man who until recently was one of the most eligible bachelors in Europe.

He is the 50-year-old Count Armand de la Rochefoucauld, a burly, beefy man with a face tinted the colour of good claret. Now, four years after his marriage to an American divorcee, the Count won an action for breach of promise which had been brought against him by an Austrian-born woman with whom he had formed an association after the war.

No promise

She claimed "a modest" HK\$1,200,000 compensation, but the court sternly ruled that no such promise had in fact been made.

Armand is the younger son of the redoubtable 90-year old Duc de Doudenville who has been president of the Jockey Club for the past 40 years. He is expected to inherit the title after his father's death because his elder brother is known to be reluctant to assume it.

Armand has been a colourful and splendid Bohemian figure in Parisian life ever since the Twenties.

The Rochefoucaulds have been crowding the French and continental stage ever since the family was ennobled by Francois I in the 16th century.

In the intervening centuries they produced the author of the famous *Maxims*, some remarkable eccentrics—a daughter who died recently lived with gipsies in a cave outside Granada—and married Eastern European Royalty and Spanish grandees.

The Rochefoucaulds' wealth remains solidly based on land and they own huge estates in France and Spain.

They retain a strong peasant streak and a peasant's shrewd knowledge of the value of money while the riches of the Rochefoucaulds is notorious in Paris for his steadfast refusal to carry any money on him.

Scandals

ONCE again you can take your pick of scandals in Paris and no dinner party conversation is complete without some allegedly well-informed guest retelling the inside story of this or that "affair."

It is as well if you do not wish to stamp yourself as a naive yokel to refrain from expressing scepticism.

Anti-climax

France is the only country in the world where in matters of scandals credulity is a positive mark of sophistication.

The obvious is never good enough: it is in French eyes a device by less-gifted but powerful men to cover up a conspiracy.

Thus it is necessary to believe against all the evidence that a certain Minister is involved in the current building

scandal and to let imagination run riot on the subject of the Peugeot kidnapping affair.

I have lived through every big French post-war scandal and invariably each one has ended with anti-climax.

This is not because the authorities have hushed them up but simply because the scandaleux themselves never had the ramifications that public opinion and the Press attributed to them.

Examining magistrates in France who conduct the preliminary investigations constitute a body of all-powerful watch-dogs of almost fanatical zeal, especially with the rich or public figures who are involved.

The examining magistrate investigating the so-called Walter scandal has been at it for three years and still refuses to let go of the case despite the fact that most of the myths surrounding it have long been exposed as such.

If the Sidney Stanley scandal had broken here instead of it having been reduced to its proper proportions by a tribunal it would almost certainly have resulted in the fall of a government and accusations of corruption against every one who had so much as brushed shoulders with Stanley.

Of the 20-odd Prime Ministers France has had since the war I know of only one whose integrity I seriously doubt.

I know dozens of former Ministers who are no richer now than when they first entered public life.

In dispute

EX-KING FAROUK is at present engaged in a serious dispute with a Geneva bank.

As the Swiss guard banking secrets as jealously as some countries guard atomic secrets, the exact nature of the dispute has not yet emerged.

All I can reveal is that it concerns a numbered bank account which Farouk claims to be one of his.

HEADLINE OF THE WEEK: Paris Press reporting on the new English Bible "La Bible a etc rewritee."

Dignified

FAROUK incidentally has not set foot in France or Monaco since he was given Monégasque citizenship three years ago.

I am told by relatives here that this is due to a wish on his part to avoid the limelight for political reasons.

He is convinced that the monarchy will be restored in Egypt and is preparing a suitably dignified background for its restoration.

Incidental Intelligence: So many heads of state are visiting Paris—each one greeted by a salute of guns—and so many plastic bombs placed by opponents of General de Gaulle's Algerian policy are exploding, it is difficult to tell whether the resulting bang is a welcoming one or an act of protest.

—(London Express Service).

The world really does look better THROUGH ROSE-TINTED SPECTACLES

BRITISH scientists have found out how to make the world look a little better through spectacles—by "rose-tinting" the surface of the lenses.

The new glasses let in more light and cut out almost all reflection—inside and out. They can be ordered from any optician, and cost about £1 extra. The lenses have a faint "bloom" on the surface, similar to that on a deep-red rose.

The same effect can be seen on a camera lens. It was a chance "observation" about camera lenses, made 70 years ago by a London expert, that led to today's development.

The expert, Mr. Dennis Taylor, noticed that some glass took on a tarnished look on

contact with air, yet its power to transmit light was increased. Scientists have now found the way to give this near-invisible taint to spectacles quite cheaply.

Fewer 'lamps'

A spokesman for one of Britain's biggest optical manufacturers told me: "Normally, glass reflects about five per cent of the light that strikes it. This process reduces the reflection to one or two per cent. The lenses also look better from outside, because 'dancing lights'—images of lamps or windows—do not appear so much."

FOOTNOTE: The "bloom" is applied by heating magnesium fluoride powder in a little molybdenum trough within one foot of the spectacle lenses, inside a vacuum chamber. The gas produced condenses on the glass to form a fine, hard film. The process is now also being used on the Continent.

—Peter Fairley
—(London Express Service).

TALKING POINTS

He that hath no honey in his pot, let him have it in his mouth.
—GEORGE HERBERT.

★ ★ ★

The people are the masters.
—EDMUND BURKE.

★ ★ ★

Thirty-five is a very attractive age.
—OSCAR WILDE.

—(London Express Service).

NEWS IN THE AIR

Enter Britain's latest babies

By JAMES STUART

London. A BIG display of private and business aircraft is being arranged at Coventry Airport from April 28—30.

There the first of the new BEAGLE range of British-made light airplanes is to be shown for the first time. One will be flown in by Peter Masfield, chief of the BEAGLE concern, from the former Aviat factory at Reusby Lanes.

BEAGLE is the new company formed by the Pressed Steel Company with the old Aviat Aircraft concern and F. G. Miles at Shoreham.

The new British light airplanes are eagerly awaited at a time when, under the recent lifting of import restrictions, considerable numbers of American aircraft are being sold to British "owner-driver" and business fliers.

Not so busy
GATWICK AIRPORT has been called a "White Elephant"—particularly out of the summer holiday season.

But if it is not as widely used as an airport as it might be, its restaurant provides a good place for dinner and dancing for people living in the nearby Surrey and Sussex towns.

I dropped in the other evening and found the car park fuller than I had seen it for

some time. It seemed things were picking up at Gatwick—which is to be used this summer for some daily BEA and Air France services to Paris.

But as I drove in, the car park man said: "Are you for the dinner-dance, sir?"

Air-minded millions

PASSENGER figures for the United States air routes make remarkable reading. The big operators flying the "domestic" American air routes—inside the U.S.—only last year carried 43,449,090 passengers.

The biggest airline flew more than 8,000,000 passengers; two others each took more than 7,500,000.

The small local services took another 5,500,000. And another 5,470,928 flew on the international routes in and out of the United States.

Three cities, New York, Chicago and Los Angeles, have helicopter services. Between them they carried just on 500,000 people during 1950.

—(London Express Service).



London Express Service.

WOMANSENSE



AND FLOWER FLATTERY IS IN...

by JILL BUTTERFIELD

London. INSTANT SUMMER — that's the flavour of the clothes on this page—the essence of the flower-show dresses which have suddenly put prettiness into fashion again.

INSTANT SUMMER — that's the heatwave feeling the new printed fabrics give you with their burgeoning roses, larger-than-life lilies, daisies and dahlias.

INSTANT SUMMER — that's the best morale-booster on the market these blow-hot-blow-cold spring days.

For far too many seasons the flower-print has been relegated to underwear or to overalls.

We were all too busy being stark and simple to remember the flattery of a rose blossoming next to the face, the impact of a skirt printed as vividly as a seed packet, the economy of the kind of dress you can wear for evening most of the year and which does crisp, summer-day duty too.

Dior's new designer Marc Bohan gave the fashion world a taste of the sweetness of June in January when he showed a crop of flower-strewn floating dresses (designed to blossom ultimately at a high-summer garden party) while the snow was falling outside. Not only were they the most applauded clothes in his whole collection but they looked as right under the electric lights of early spring as they will under the sun of mid-June.

Today I present prize home-grown variations of the same species.

Like the best flower arrangements, they must be arranged with care (if the dress is printed keep the accessories plain) and freshened (by frequent dips in the wash-tub or trips to the cleaners) at the first sign of wilting.



CABBAGE ROSES, buds and leaves blossom all over this full skirted Bri-nylon chiffon evening dress. By Frank Usher.



DAHLIAS bloom on this pleated dress with a lowered waistline and sleeveless look of Paris. By Richard Shops.



HOLLYHOCKS climb over this Dior-inspired bloused backed straight skirted dress in pure silk. By San-Clair.



GARDEN ROSES of red, brown, grey or turquoise on a Crimplene dress with a draped, side-tying skirt. By Holyrood.

London Express Service.



The best cleanser for varnished paintwork is vinegar and cold water applied with a chamois leather. Paraffin is also effective but the paintwork is easily finger-marked afterwards.

Small tins of spices and herbs always seem to get mislaid in the larder. Try this novel idea for keeping your spices and herbs all in one place. Take a round sponge tin and mount it on the wooden shelf of your cupboard with a nail, using a thick wad of paper between the shelf and the tin. Stand your packets and tins on this and you will have a revolving spice tray which will keep your cupboard tidy and enable you to find what you want at a glance.

Get a packet of carpet dye from the chemist and dye your old, tired looking mats a dark neutral colour.

Rupert and the Paper-fall—19



The little jester shows great excitement. "The Nut wood names!" he exclaims. "It's the one paper we need most. I must have it. Here, gimme, gimme, gimme!" But Rupert swings away as he says forward. "No!" he says. "That's exactly what the other little man did. Then he disappeared just as I suppose you would. If you want the paper you must tell me what this is all about." However, the little jester dances round and round, trying to snatch the paper, until Edward decides to catch him by the collar. He grabs him with his trunk and holds him firmly.

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♥ CARD SENSE ♥

Q—The bidding has been:
North East South West
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass
2NT Pass ?
You, South, hold:
AKJ85 ♥ K2 ♦ Q54 ♠ J97
What do you do?
A—Bid three no-trump. Your hand is suitable for no-trump and 10 points plus your partner's 18 or 19 should produce a slam.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Instead of rebidding two no-trump your partner has jumped to three hearts. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

JACOBY on BRIDGE

NORTH's two-club bid was the Stayman convention and South's two-diamond rebid merely denied a four-card major suit. After North went to two no-trump South decided to go on to game on account of his two ten spots and fifth club.

He received the favourable lead of the four of clubs and after East won the trick with the ace, South decided a false card was necessary in order to prevent the shift to hearts.

Unfortunately for South he chose the wrong false-card. He dropped the queen under East's ace.

Now East did a little counting. He knew that West always led fourth, best from four or more so that West could not have started with more than six clubs. That left South with a minimum of three so that the queen had to be a false-card of some sort or other. If it indicated king-queen-small a club continuation looked hopeless; if it didn't indicate king-queen-

NORTH 20	
♠ AKJ95	
♥ 984	
♦ KJ62	
♣ J8	
EAST	
♠ 74	
♥ QJ632	
♦ QJ074	
♣ A9	
SOUTH (D)	
♠ AQ10	
♥ A7	
♦ A83	
♣ KQ932	
No one vulnerable	
South West North East	
1NT Pass 2♣ Pass	
2♦ Pass 2NT Pass	
3NT Pass Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♣ 4	

small it appeared that South was trying to encourage a club continuation.

So East led a heart and South's goose was cooked.

The correct false-card was the nine spot. East might still have shifted to a heart, but at least the nine spot play would have made it most difficult for him.

LADY LUCK

YOUR CHINA MAIL HOROSCOPE

THURSDAY, APRIL 6

AQUARIUS (10) (January 21-February 19): Let your behaviour be more consistent with the maxims you preach, and others will be more likely to follow them.

PISCES (7) (February 20-March 20): A neighbour may be encroaching too much on your privacy, and you must not lack courage to show your annoyance.

ARIES (12) (March 21-April 19): A colleague will be very willing to help you with a rush job, and you must not be too independent to accept his co-operation.

TAURUS (6) (April 20-May 20): Don't interfere in a friend's financial affairs any more than you would like him to meddle with yours.

GEMINI (1) (May 21-June 21): You will have an opportunity to gather some valuable information, which will be a great help in the successful pursuit of your business.

CANCER (11) (June 22-July 21): By taking the trouble to explain a rather unusual action of yours, you will set your partner's mind at ease.

LEO (3) (July 22-August 21): There will be a definite relaxation of the recent tension at your place

of work, and it will be a pleasure to get on with your job in the improved atmosphere.

VIRGO (9) (August 22-September 22): Postpone the entertainment of some attractive people you have just met until you have caught up with your more pressing social obligations.

LIBRA (4) (September 23-October 22): Since you don't seem to be making much headway with your present approach to your problem, why not start all over again from an entirely different angle?

SCORPIO (5) (October 23-November 21): A minor worry which has been preoccupying you will soon be cleared up, and you will be able to give your full attention to your work.

SAGITTARIUS (8) (November 22-December 21): Make quite sure that you can take on an added responsibility before you rashly volunteer your services.

CAPRICORN (2) (December 22-January 20): Try to make a clearer distinction between your dreams of an ideal existence and the reality of everyday life.

YOUR LUCKY NUMBER: Count the letters in your first name and add the total to the number shown in brackets after your sign of the Zodiac. This is your lucky number for today.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Ting-a-Ling's Story

—He Tells Shadons About A Lonely Blade Of Grass—

By MAX TRELL

KNAF and Hanid, the Shadow Children with the Turned-About Names, were having tea and cake in Ting-a-Ling's pretty garden at the bottom of the Blue China Plate.

When they had finished, they asked Ting-a-Ling to tell them a story.

Ting-a-Ling smiled. "A story?" he asked. "What kind of a story would you like me to tell you?"

Knaf and Hanid answered without hesitation that they didn't much care what kind of story Ting-a-Ling told them, provided only that it was interesting.

"All stories should be interesting," Ting-a-Ling remarked as he filled his teacup again. "If a story isn't interesting, it isn't worth telling."

Took more cake

"But almost everything in the world, even a blade of grass," he said, pointing to a slender green tuft that stood waving between two stones at his feet, "has an interesting story."

Here Knaf said he didn't see how a blade of grass could have an interesting story.

"Perhaps I'm wrong," said Ting-a-Ling, "but I don't think you could find anything more important, or more interesting, than a blade of grass no matter how hard you looked. And if you like, I'll tell you the story of the blade of grass."

Knaf and Hanid helped themselves to more of Ting-a-Ling's sweet cakes. At last he began.

"Long, long ago, when our world was very young, there were lakes and rivers and mountains and oceans and trees and—millions and millions of

trees, whole forests of trees. But there was only one single blade of grass!"

"Only one blade of grass?" asked Hanid.

"And this poor lonely blade of grass," continued Ting-a-Ling, "felt very sorry for itself, standing all alone in the middle of the great field, for as far as it could look, it could see nothing but brown earth and the great forests of trees. How it wished it were a tree itself instead of being just a single blade of grass!"

Knaf asked if there were any animals in the world at that time.

"Yes," said Ting-a-Ling, "and all of them were hungry. The Cows and Elephants and Goats and Deer and Sheep and Horses wandered around looking for things to eat."

"They browsed on the few leaves that fell off the trees. And now and then, the Elephants and the Giraffes would pull down a branch or two. But for the most part they were hungry from morning to night. They grew thinner and weaker."

"Why didn't they eat the blade of grass?" asked Hanid.

"They didn't even notice the blade of grass," said Ting-a-Ling. "But a strange thing was happening with that blade of grass. It went out roots and, by and by, several more blades of grass were growing around it."

"And each of those blades of grass sent out more roots and more and more blades of grass sprang up. Until, by and by, all the brown spaces in all the fields and pastures and hillside slopes over the whole wide world were covered with blades of grass."

"And it all started from that single blade of grass," he said.



The poor little blade of grass felt very lonely.

Knaf and Hanid stopped Ting-a-Ling to say that they were sure that the first blade of grass he had spoken of must have now been very happy to see so many other blades of grass growing around it.

"Still onvious"

"It was happy," agreed Ting-a-Ling, "but it was still envious of the great trees that grew all around. For it couldn't help thinking how noble the trees looked and how tall and grand they were—and how small and unimportant he and all his brothers and sisters were."

"And then," said Ting-a-Ling, "the Cows and Horses started nibbling the grass and the more they nibbled, the more they liked it. They grew fat and healthy."

"And because they had plenty of grass to eat, the Cows gave milk and cream which was turned into cheese and butter. And the other Animals gave meat and hides for food. And there was enough for people to live on in all the countries where the blades of grass grew."

Ting-a-Ling looked at Knaf and Hanid.

"And it all started from that single blade of grass," he said.

Impressive start by Japan's World Table

Tennis champions WIN ALL FOUR SWAYTHLING AND CORBILLON CUP MATCHES ON OPENING DAY

Peking, Apr. 6.

Japan, making a strong bid to retain their supremacy in both the men's and women's team events, enter the second day of the World Table Tennis Championships here today sharing the lead in the Swaythling Cup (men) and Corbillon Cup (women).

In the men's team contest, won by Japan in the last five World Championships, the hard-hitting Japanese trio who triumphed in Dortmund two years ago—Igihro Ogimura, Nobuya Moshino and Teruo Murakami—hammered Singapore 5-0 and beat England 5-1 yesterday. They share the lead in Group C with the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia, who also won both their matches yesterday.

Today Japan have a morning match against Cuba and then in the evening they take on the young Russian team who are making their debut here in World Championships competition. Yesterday, Russia beat Brazil 5-1 and New Zealand 5-0. The Japanese will be able to assess their chances, as earlier in the day the Russians met England, whom Japan beat decisively yesterday.

To play Russia

The Japanese women players who gained smooth 3-0 victories over New Zealand and North Vietnam in Group C when they began their challenge, will not be in action today until the evening session, when they oppose the Soviet Union.

Japan were scheduled to have met North Korea in the afternoon. But the Korean girls team did not come to Peking.

Outstanding among the Russian women is 19-year-old Nadezda Ivanovskaya, the national champion, who has been given seeding status for the women's singles event which begins next week. Yesterday the Russians beat Sweden 3-1 in their only game.

Japan, the only team to play two games so far, head the Group with maximum points, with England second and the USSR third.

Japan, China and Hungary are favoured to win through to battle out the finals on Sunday, but Czechoslovakia have made a fine start in China's group of the Swaythling event, gaining three straight wins all by 5-0 margins. All the other teams in the event have played only two contests.

Attacking style

It is estimated that a total of 40,000 spectators saw the three sessions on the opening day of the Championships. Chau En-lai, the Chinese Prime Minister, was among the capacity crowd who attended the evening session.

The attacking style of the Japanese and Chinese players with their pen-holder grips attracted the attention of spectators and also visiting competitors, who predict that Japan and China will produce most winners during the Championships.

Two players who gained shock wins in the team contests yesterday were England's Ian Harrison and 17-year-old Australian student Cliff McDonald.

Harrison, 22-year-old apprentice draughtsman, topped Japan's Ogimura, the world champion in 1954 and 1956, and the No. 3 in the world today.

Harrison who was meeting a Japanese player for the first time, won 21-18, 21-18. He

displaced afterwards that practice he had in England against another English player, Stan Jacobson, had helped him to beat Ogimura.

"Jacobson puts even more spin on his looped drives than Ogimura," Harrison said, "and I learned how to play them."

Harrison said of the match: "I expected to see balls flashing past me from all angles, but they did not."

McDonald had the distinction of beating Hungary's European champion, Zoltan Berzsek, who is ranked No. 2 in the world. The Sydney youth won 13-21, 21-15, 21-17, but Hungary beat Australia 5-1 in Group B. The Hungarians also had a 3-0 walkover against Pakistan, whose team did not arrive in time—Reuters.

Standings

Following are the team standings in both the Swaythling and Corbillon Cups after the first day's play here today:

SWAYTHLING CUP

Group A	W	L	F	A
Czechoslovakia	3	0	15	0
Japan	2	0	10	0
USSR	2	0	10	0
West Germany	1	1	5	7
East Germany	1	1	5	7
England	1	1	5	7
Nepal	0	1	7	3
Burma	0	1	7	3
India	0	1	7	3
Mongolia	0	1	7	3

Group B	W	L	F	A
Hungary	2	0	10	1
Sweden	2	0	10	1
Romania	1	1	5	7
Poland	1	1	5	7
Denmark	1	1	5	7
Nigeria	0	1	7	3
North Vietnam	0	1	7	3
Australia	0	1	7	3
Pakistan	0	1	7	3

Group C	W	L	F	A
Japan	2	0	10	1
USSR	2	0	10	1
Yugoslavia	1	1	5	7
North Korea	1	1	5	7
China	1	1	5	7
Brazil	0	2	5	10
Singapore	0	2	5	10
New Zealand	0	2	5	10
Cuba	0	2	5	10

CORBILLON CUP

Group A	W	L	F	A
East Germany	2	0	10	1
Romania	2	0	10	1
Hungary	1	1	5	7
Poland	1	1	5	7
Mongolia	0	1	7	3
Pakistan	0	1	7	3

Group B	W	L	F	A
China	2	0	10	1
Czechoslovakia	2	0	10	1
Australia	1	1	5	7
India	1	1	5	7
Nepal	0	2	5	10
France	0	2	5	10

Group C	W	L	F	A
Japan	2	0	10	1
England	2	0	10	1
USSR	1	1	5	7
North Vietnam	1	1	5	7
Sweden	0	1	7	3
New Zealand	0	1	7	3
China	0	2	5	10

This morning's results

Peking, Apr. 6.
Following are the results on the second day of the World Table Tennis Championships here this morning:

CORBILLON CUP

Group A: Hungary beat Mongolia 3-0.	W	L	F	A
1. Kerekes (Hungary) beat B. Cahan (Mongolia) 21-11, 21-10.	1	0	10	1
2. Kerekes beat D. Alina 21-4.	1	0	10	1
3. Kerekes beat F. Koczian 21-12, 21-5.	1	0	10	1
Group B: France beat Nepal 5-0.	W	L	F	A
1. R. Bagnaud (France) beat K. B. (Nepal) 21-7, 21-7.	1	0	10	1
2. M. Alber beat M. Shah 21-10.	1	0	10	1
3. R. Bagnaud and M. Alber beat K. B. and M. Shah 21-14, 21-13.	1	0	10	1
Group C: Czechoslovakia beat Australia 3-0.	W	L	F	A
1. U. Hruva (Czechoslovakia) beat L. Cohen (Australia) 21-6, 21-14.	1	0	10	1
2. V. Schwarzova beat L. Murphy 21-13, 21-17.	1	0	10	1
3. U. Hruva and L. Urova beat L. Cohen and N. Buckland 21-15, 21-18.	1	0	10	1

Group C: Sweden beat Ghana 3-0.	W	L	F	A
1. Guntch (Sweden) beat T. Akuteh (Ghana) 21-7, 21-4.	1	0	10	1
2. M. Carlsson beat D. Jacks 21-5.	1	0	10	1
3. B. Andersson and L. Guntch beat T. Akuteh and E. Akuteh 21-13, 21-13.	1	0	10	1

Group C: USSR beat New Zealand 3-1.	W	L	F	A
1. N. Romanovskaya (USSR) beat N. Davis (New Zealand) 21-12, 21-10.	1	0	10	1
2. S. Palsary beat J. Green 21-7.	1	0	10	1
3. Palsary and A. Kondratyev beat N. Davis and N. J. Attwood 21-14, 21-21, 21-21.	1	0	10	1

Group A: China beat Ecuador 5-0.	W	L	F	A
1. Wang Chao-lun (China) beat L. Rodriguez (Ecuador) 21-12, 21-5.	1	0	10	1
2. Wang Chao-lun beat J. Munoz 21-3, 21-5.	1	0	10	1
3. Lu Feng-jun beat G. Briceno 21-3.	1	0	10	1

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2. Wang Chao-lun beat J. Munoz 21-3, 21-5.	1	0	10	1
3. Lu Feng-jun beat G. Briceno 21-3.	1	0	10	1

Group C: Singapore beat New Zealand 5-1.	W	L	F	A
1. Loh Hong-chew (Singapore) beat M. L. Dunn (New Zealand) 21-12, 21-18.	1	0	10	1
2. Wong Chien-nam beat A. H. Tomlinson 21-12, 21-10.	1	0	10	1
3. Wong Chien-nam beat A. H. Tomlinson 21-14, 21-18.	1	0	10	1
4. Wong Chien-nam beat M. L. Dunn 21-17, 21-19.	1	0	10	1
5. Wong Chien-nam beat G. A. J. Frew 21-17, 21-11—Neutral.	1	0	10	1

Curvis to defend title on May 8

Nottingham, Apr. 5.
Brian Curvis, of Swansea, Wales, will defend his British and Empire welterweight boxing titles against Wally Swift (Nottingham), former British champion, here on May 8.

Curvis, unbeaten in 19 professional bouts, took the British title from Swift last November. —China Mail Special.

Softball writers announce nominations for annual MVP awards

By DOLLY VAS

There will be a full programme of softball and baseball matches at King's Park this weekend but at the moment main interest is being centred on the Press nominations for the Most Valuable Players in each division for the 1960-1 playing season.

The contributors to the softball columns in the English-language dailies were given the task last year of cutting down the number of candidates from ten to three in each league and this task was carried out to the satisfaction of the HK Softball Association and those who voted.

This year the contributors have picked the following candidates for whom players in all the leagues will be casting votes: Dave Malig and Robert Remedios of the Cheyennes and Benny Omar of SCAA in the Senior Division; Michael Dayaram of the Starjacks, Sonny Machado of the Glants and Peter Souza of the Indians in the Junior's and two Toreros, Annie Tai and Evelyn Cotton plus Chan Pui Fan of SCAA "B" in the Ladies' Division.

The basis for nomination was primarily the individual's personal contribution to the game but playing ability and sportsmanship were also taken into consideration.

Voting slips will shortly be in the hands of the players and no one except the writers will know the names of the respective winners in each division when the votes are counted and cross-checked a day or two before the annual Softball Dance, scheduled for May 6, 1961. The winners will then be announced at the Dance.

No SCAA candidate

It will be noticed that in both the Senior and Ladies' Divisions one team has two candidates each but this must not be taken to mean that mathematically the particular chances of having either one of the players win the coveted awards should be rated high since minor pinching through the points system have in the past decided the issue more than once.

Many eyebrows will be raised at the non-inclusion of any player from the champion ladies' team, the SCAA "A", but it was generally agreed among the writers that since this team was nothing more than a collection of star players, everyone of whom could easily be nominated for the Ladies' award, it was preferable to pick three others who lacked as much playing ability but more than made up for this by keenness for the game and grand sportsmanship.

Madureira soccer players to show how it's done

The visiting Madureira football team of Brazil will give a display of their methods of training, ball control, shooting at goal and other finer points of the game at the Hongkong Football Club Stadium today between 4 pm and 6 pm.

The display will, however, not be open to the public. Only the following will be admitted free to the stands: Officials of the HKFA and member clubs; the press, registered players of teams playing in the HKFA League and Shield competitions, sports masters and registered soccer players of the Hongkong Football Sports Association, team managers and coaches of teams playing in the League and Shield competitions.

Benny Omar has won the Senior MVP title three times

Malig, Machado and Dayaram once each while none of the three ladies nominated has ever won it though Evelyn Cotton was one of the candidates last year.

Surprise

The inclusion of Robert Remedios will cause some surprise but it must be remembered that apart from hitting consistently well during the season Remedios has been very active behind the scenes in promoting the interests of the game.

Peter Souza's nomination is a well-earned honour for a player who can make the Indians' catcher on any side. He is only in his second Junior season but his association with softball goes back many years, as he was formerly a member of the Aces Midget League team.

Michael Dayaram is of course, one of the most promising youngsters in softball today. His flawless fielding at shortstop and cheerful disposition on and off the field of play have won him many admirers and was evidenced by his landslide victory in last year's Junior MVP voting. He will surely be the favourite to repeat this year.

Chan Pui-fan's nomination too was a highly-deserved honour, for the young lady was considered good enough to play for the SCAA first team. She proved the SCAA selectors wrong by being chosen to represent Hongkong in a representative match against the Taiwan girls lately.

Annie Tai and Evelyn Cotton have also done their bit for the Toreros, the former with her steady pitching and the latter through the heavy bat she has wielded.

There are have it—some brief background introductions to those whose efforts on behalf of softball have won them recognition from those who make it their part-time business to go up to King's Park from September to April each year. Who will win in each division? Only when May comes around will everyone know!

Batting title

Now for some comments on the League matches. The Indians complete their league commitments when they play the Austers on Saturday at 2.30 pm. That they will triumph is a foregone conclusion but they will be more interested in how three of their players shape up in batting. Rocky Oliveira is leading the Junior batting with a 453 average. Chaves lies third with 418 and Oates fourth with 410. Hancock of the Glants is in second place with 427.

Manager Alec Drago will give all three the opportunity of playing and a slip-up anywhere during the seven innings may see Hancock winning the title. At 4 pm the visiting Taiwan Universal girls team come up against the HK Selection. Unbeaten in 12 games since first coming here in April 1957 they take the field as favourites. On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock the Austers and Starjacks match rings down the curtain on Junior league activities for the season. The Starjacks have triumphed the Servicemen twice before and won the Knock-out final 20-1 against the same opponents only last

LIFE BEGINS AT 30 FOR THESE RUGBY STARS

By GEORGE WILLIAMS

Life begins at thirty—there's many a rugby forward who can vouch for that. Take Alfred Reques. France's 36-year-old prop. Age might rule him out of France's tour of New Zealand this year. But the way he has defied the years and challenge of younger players wins the rugby world's admiration.

"The Rock" was a soccer player until he was 26. But he was in at the birth of France's rugby revolution in 1950 when he gained his first cap in Paris against Australia. Further good displays in victories over Wales and Ireland earned Reques a place on the French tour of South Africa when he played in both tests.

'No supermen'

This 15 stone groundsman, who likes his ten cigarettes a day, says "There are supermen in rugby." But French rugby fans beg to differ—when they talk of Reques.

He is in the same tough mould as Springbok props Pienaar and Du Toit and "Fanie" Kuhn, who are both, incidentally, about ten years younger than Reques.

Kuhn and Du Toit met three others of Europe's sturdy "old timers" when they played England.

Non Jacobs, 32-year-old farmer with 22 caps as a prop, thought his rugby days were over four years ago when he had a serious hip injury on the British Barbarians' tour of Canada. But he kept his England place in 1958.

He was dropped for the whole of 1959, came back as a late deputy at the start of 1960 and he never looked back. Fellow prop Peter Wright, 36-year-old farm contractor, gained recognition later than Jacobs. He started as a wing-forward and switched to prop in 1954. He then had to wait six years for his first English cap, but he has also kept his place.

Recalled

England's faith in the seasoned players was underlined when they recalled hooker Ernie Robinson, 32, to play against Ireland last month. Robinson, who had gained his one previous cap seven years ago, was retained this season against Scotland and France. England's selectors knew the value of strong props and a fast striking hooker.

Front row forwards—the "orchestra stalls" as Frenchmen sometimes call them—are inclined to become "hidden heroes" of the scrum. But Du Toit, Kuhn, and hooker Abe Matan, switched the spotlight on these hard, specialist workers, during the Springbok's recent tour.

Welsh prop Ray Prosser and Billy Williams, both over 30, are two more of the team-tough veterans.

Prosser was dropped after playing against South Africa in December. With 20 caps in international career looked over at his age.

But when it came to facing Ireland's all-Lions front row of Ronnie Dawson (age 28), Sid Millar (26), and Gordon Wood (29), Wales' selectors picked Prosser. And he was picked again for the match against France.

Prosser, a great home-lover, had to be persuaded by his club to accept the invitation to go on the Lions' 1959 tour of Australia. "Prosser was, in the side last year, the Lions' one test win over New Zealand—at Auckland."

Williams (32 caps), co-captain in the British Navy, was on the Lions' 1955 tour of South Africa, when he played in all four tests. He faded from the international scene soon after that tour. But this year he has been playing so well there was a loud call for his return to Wales' side.

Belated reward

Williams—his exact age seems to be one of those diplomatic rugby mysteries—says "I'm going to have one more season." Ireland's selectors hope to hear the same from their great back row forward, 30-year-old Ronnie Kavanagh.

Like Nick Sheehy in Australia, Kavanagh seems inclined to have spanned rugby era. But whereas Sheehy went on several Wallaby tours, Kavanagh had been omitted from the two Lions' tours made during his rugby career.

With 32 caps—a record for an Irish forward—Kavanagh has played against New Zealand (1954), Australia (1956), and last December against South Africa.

He was first capped—against France—in 1953, yet this six feet 13 stone chertiered accountant missed the Lions' tours of South Africa and Australasia. "But this year he gets belated reward—he is in Ireland's team for their short tour of South Africa. So Ronnie, too, can tell the rugby world: Never say die at 30." —China Mail Special.

ARNOLD PALMER TO OPEN 'AGAINST THE WORLD' GOLF SERIES IN JUNE

Hollywood, Apr. 5.

Arnold Palmer has signed a five-year contract with a television studio to appear in a new golf series, "Arnold Palmer against the world of golfers," it was announced today.

Terms of the contract with Revue Productions were not disclosed.

The series, 26 hour-long shows per year filmed in colour, is to make its debut next autumn, but the network and sponsor has not been decided.

Revue said negotiations for the sponsor and network are underway but did not disclose their identities.

Palmer, 31, will play the leading golf professionals from 20 foreign countries in the series, to be filmed entirely overseas. The opponent will choose the course of his choice, Revue said. The winner of each match will receive \$1,000 and if Palmer is beaten a rematch will be held. Should his opponent again win, he will earn \$5,000, the studio said.

The contract in no way interferes with Palmer's tournament play in this country, a spokesman said.

England will be the scene of the first of the series, with filming to start on June 26, against an unnamed opponent, Revue said.—UPI.

Dunfermline in Scottish Cup final

Edinburgh, Apr. 5.
Dunfermline tonight reached the final of the Scottish Cup Soccer Competition for the first time in the club's history.

An "own-goal" in the 67th minute gave them a 1-0 victory over St Mirren in the semi-final replay at Tynecastle here. In the final, at Hampden Park, Glasgow, on April 11 Dunfermline will play Celtic.

The Fifo. side just deserved their narrow win, as they did most of the attacking in a hard, fast game played in heavy rain.

The winning goal came when Dunfermline winger Melrose took a free-kick on the left. It looked harmless enough, but in attempting to clear the ball, Campbell, the St Mirren right-back, headed it into his own net via the crossbar.—China Mail Special.

Results

Results of tonight's Scottish football matches were:
SCOTTISH CUP
Semi-final replay
Dunfermline 1 St Mirren 0
SCOTTISH LEAGUE 'A'
Celtic 1 St Johnstone 0
(Postponed from April 1)
SCOTTISH LEAGUE 'B'
Aberdeen 1 Queen of South 4
(Postponed from December 10)
Albion 2 Stirling Albion 4
(Postponed from February 4)
—Neutral.

Ireland soccer XI will be without Bingham

Belfast, Apr. 5.

For the first time for ten years, Winger Billy Bingham will be missing from North Ireland's soccer team when they play Wales here on April 12.

Everton, Bingham's club, will not release him for the international match as they are playing Bangor, of Brili, in a friendly match on the same day.

Northern Ireland's team was announced tonight as follows:

McClelland (Arsenal); Keith (Newcastle), Elder (Burnley); Blanchflower (Tottenham Hotspur), Cunningham (Dunfermline), Pencock (Celtic); Stewart (Litham), Deegan (Blackburn Rovers), McAdams (Bolton), Melroy (Burnley), McParland (Aston Villa). —China Mail Special.

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TOM FORREST'S TWELVE TO FOLLOW ON THE FLAT

AURELIUS
3 years, N. Murless
BROCADE SLIPPER
4, R. J. Colling
BUSHBOY
5, R. Smyth
CHECKENDON
3, P. Nelson
GALLANT KNIGHT
3, T. Leader
GRISSETTA
3, John Waugh
HONEYMOOR
4, G. Brooke
SECRET SESSION
3, N. Murless
TYPHOON
3, P. Prendergast
USURPER
4, W. Lyde
VELVET GLOVE
3, G. Boyd
XAN
3, J. Tree

None to equal a fit Typhoon

As master of the biggest racing stable in the British Isles, Paddy Prendergast of Kildare has 86 horses to keep him busy. But one task takes precedence—tightening up the tubby midriff of TYPHOON in time for the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on April 26.

No colt that I have seen looks able to match the bold, business-like racing action of a fit Typhoon in the first classic of 1961.

That is why he rates No. 1 in my list of Horses to Follow on the Flat.

Trimming the superfluous inches from an overweight classic colt is no new operation for Paddy. He tackled the same problem with Martial a year ago with spectacular results.

Nobody who remembers Martial hurrying up the final hill—snatching a shock victory from the apparently home-and-dried French favorite Venture VII—can lack faith in the trainer's ability to produce Typhoon super-fit by Guineas day.

Typhoon carries a less challenging burden of flesh than did Martial, who was as burly

as a prize bull when unplaced at Phoenix Park in his first race as a three-year-old. It was by only a short head that Typhoon lost the same race eight days ago.

And even that narrow defeat would have been a sure victory if Australian jockey Ron Hutchinson had not been perched on a slipping saddle for the vital finishing drive.

Typhoon's elastic girth strap had failed to grip sufficiently—so for the colt's next races the belt will have to be tightened as well as what goes inside it.

Classic hope

Here are the rest of my Twelve to Follow:

● **AURELIUS**, one of the richest prospects in Britain's most powerful stable, although on every street-corner in Newmarket it is the unraced Pinturischio who is being trumpeted as Noel Murless's "dark horse."

● **SECRET SESSION**, by far the handsomest filly I set eyes in last season, was a tenderly ridden third in her only race. Her score for improvement is limitless, and might easily bring her up to 1,000 Guineas standard.

● **GALLANT KNIGHT** may be slower to reach his peak performance, for staying in his game, with the Derby and St Leger as the big aims this year. He won two out of three races in 1960 with a rugged authority which can hardly fail to pay off again.

● **XAN** was a strong "whisper" more than once in his first season, but did not win. Failure there leaves him qualified for maiden races... and his winter progress suggests he can take such prizes in his stride.

● **GRISSETTA** gave her young trainer John Waugh a flying start when he took out a licence

last June. A game little grey sprinter like this can be placed to carry on the good work in handicaps.

● **CHECKENDON** specialises in a surge from the starting-gate which catches her opponents on the wrong foot right away. It brought two successes in the near-black filly's four attempts, and though she ran out of puff when asked to race six furlongs, I think this journey is within her compass this year.

● **VELVET GLOVE** earned no medals for fighting spirit in her seven-year career when trained at Newmarket. But "reluctant heroes" from Headquarters often pluck up courage in less severe surroundings—I believe the bracing scenery of Scotland will reform her, as it has others.

Must win soon

● **HONEYMOOR** did enough from the worst possible Lincolnshire Handicap draw to satisfy me that he is the best one-mile handicapper in training. And he is so lightly turned up that he must win soon.

● **BROCADE SLIPPER** managed two victories from eight runs over mixed distances in 1960. Confined to journeys from 1½ miles upwards, he is likely to improve his percentage.

● **USURPER** comes fourth in a line of distinguished stayers—all sons of the mare Snow Bunting. The chestnuts, Sandiara, Come to Daddy, and Great Gonerby, have all been profitable horses to follow. Dark brown Usurper will not let the family down.

● **BUSHBOY** has no pretensions to high class, but slips along at a hectic pace in modest springs. He likes downhill tracks and goes well for an apprentice rider.

—(London Express Service).



TYPHOON... shows that bold, businesslike racing action.

Rotating venue for Thomas Cup final rounds?

Copenhagen, Apr. 5. Danish badminton officials favour altering the rules in the Thomas Cup to give a rotating venue for the final-round matches. Richard Hellbo of the Badminton Association, said here today.

There was no criticism of the way the matches were arranged in Asia.

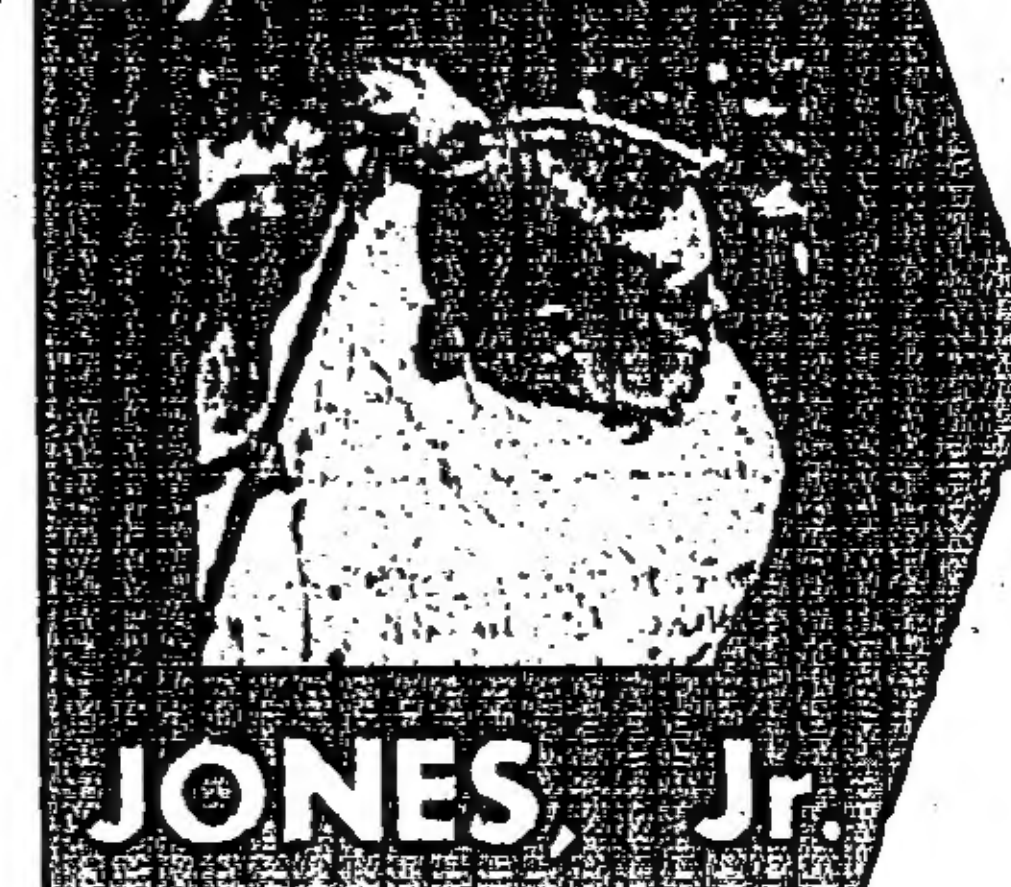
"But the climate gives Asian teams a great advantage," he said.

"Finals could perhaps be staged one year in the tropics, the next in a more temperate climate. This would give all competitors a fair chance," Reuter.

GOLF IS MY GAME

The American Championship

By BOBBY



JONES, Jr.

I started the round clad in a light-grey plus-fours, a shirt with collar, and a red foulard four-in-hand tie. I carried a dozen or so red wood toes in my trousers pocket.

When I finished the round, my plus-fours were so saturated that they appeared to be black. The tie had run all over my shirt and the red from the toes had stained one of my trousers. I had cut off my tie with a pocket knife.

Despite it all, though, I managed to get off to a fairly good start—out in 34 and back in 37, with a couple of slips. My 71 was good enough to be tied for the lead until late afternoon when Macdonald Smith and Tommy Armour came in with a pair of 70's.

The Lily Pad shot

This might be the best spot at which to insert a firsthand account of what really happened on a shot that ever since has been the most discussed stroke in the tournament—my second shot to the ninth hole in the second round.

This ninth hole was a par-3 which could be reached by a spoon second across a pond, the green being situated some thirty yards beyond the edge of the water.

My drive had been down the right side of the fairway, so that I had to play directly over the pond. I half-topped the shot so that the ball skipped a few times over the surface of the water before it heaved up into the grass on the bank of the lake. From this point I pitched to within a yard or so of the hole and made the putt for a birdie four.

The shot soon came to be known as the Lily Pad shot, in keeping with the notion that the ball had bounced from a lily pad onto the bank. Actually, no lily pad was involved, and the action of the ball was precisely that of a flat stone being skipped across the water.

Stroke of luck

As I was playing the shot, the gallery was lined up behind the ropes along the right and behind me. I was playing as though down a human fence. Just as I reached the top of my swing and started down, my eye caught a sudden movement in the gallery several yards in front of my position. It developed that two little girls had made a break as though to run across the fairway. My involuntary flinch caused the half-stop.

There is no question but that it was a considerable stroke of luck that my ball should have escaped the water.

Paret-Griffith return fight

New York, Apr. 5. Managers of new world welterweight boxing champion Emilio Grifflin and former champion Benny "Kid" Paret of Cuba will meet tomorrow to discuss a return match between the two fighters.

Grifflin knocked out Paret to win the title on April 1 in Miami Beach.

The new champion's trainer and co-manager Gil Clancy said that if Paret does not agree to a return bout in the near future, Grifflin may take on an undisclosed opponent in a non-title fight.

Clancy denied a report that Grifflin would defend his title in Rio De Janeiro against Brazilian champion Fernando Borretto.—AP.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Golf: Annual meeting of Ladies' section, Royal LK Golf Club, at the Helena May Institute 7.30 pm.
International series: England v Portugal at Newport 8.30 pm.
Demolition by Brazilian soccer team at SDA ground, Caroline Hill 6 pm to 8 pm.
MORROW
Swimming: Arrival of Australian Amateur Swimming team from Japan.

and found such a good lie on the bank. Had it remained in the water, a six would have been the best score expectable.

Tant the stroke of luck actually decided the championship, I very much doubt. Everyone who has played in a competition of this kind knows that no one stroke can be removed with the assurance that everything else would have remained the same. The problem of constructing a seventy-two hole total is itself altered by everything contributing to that total. Nevertheless, I was grateful for the saving which enabled me to finish in 73 for a two-round total of 144, only 2 back of Horton Smith.

A 68 in the third round started me off on the last round five strokes ahead of Harry Cooper, who had moved up to second position. In that last round, three times I took 5 on a par-three hole, thereby kicking away six precious strokes. These lapses had made it very possible for either Horton or Mac Smith to catch me.

Quivering

My drive and second to the 18th were at best tentative and left my ball in the very front of the green at least forty feet from the hole. As I stopped up to the putt, I was quivering in every muscle. I confess that my most optimistic expectation was to get the thing dead. It is impossible to describe the sensation I felt when I saw my ball take a small break five or six feet from the cup, so that I knew it was in. Hats were tossed into the air all around the green. That final putt had again closed the door.

It had been a long two months of golf from Sandiara to Hovlake to Interlachen. I was more than ready to get back to my office to do a little work and to my normal routine of playing three or four rounds a week for fun. There was left only the U.S. Amateur and it was a long way off.

It was at Merion in 1910 that I had first played in the Amateur Championship. It was there that I had first won. In 1924 I could not have picked a more propitious setting for this final event of the most important golfing year of my life.

I was playing fairly well, too, hitting the ball with enough freedom and power and scoring well enough in practice. Yet I felt all week a sort of vague uneasiness. It was not that I had any lack of confidence in the golf course, but I was constantly running into patches of needlorose golf just when everything seemed to be going quite well and easily. And for the first time in my life I was finding it difficult to get to sleep at night.

Off and on

I cannot say whether it was luck or the strain of that fourth championship, or whether I was playing so well, but was just so tired that my game would respond whenever I called upon it, and yet was not equal to a steady performance. In every match would play quite well for a while and then, having gained what looked like a comfortable lead, I would lapse into something worse than mediocrity and manage to get rid of most of it. But always when I got to close-running again, my play would improve. I should have ended every match more quickly than I did. Yet I was never down to any opponent and never in any sort of trouble.

When Gene Homans stroked that last putt on the eleventh green and, before he came with a big smile to shake my hand, all at once I felt the wonderful feeling of release from tension and relaxation that I had wanted so badly for so long a time.

Only roost ahead

I wasn't quite certain what had happened or what I had done. I only knew that I had completed a period of most strenuous effort and that at this point nothing more remained to be done, and that on this particular project, at least, there could never at any time in the future be anything else to do. I am certain that many others have enjoyed this feeling—that the project, no matter what its importance, has been finished, and ahead, at least for a time, lies nothing but rest and cessation of worry.

NEXT WEEK:

Reflections and an appraisal

Brazilian bride and a Swiss wedding for Budge Patty

Lausanne, Apr. 5. American tennis player Jesse Edward "Budge" Patty and Miss Maria Marcelina Szezo were married in a civil ceremony here today.

Deputy Registrar Marcel Rod performed the ceremony in the "Wedding Hall" of the Renaissance period Lausanne Town Hall.

Miss Szezo, a Brazilian living in Lausanne, gave her age as 20, and Patty, born in Los Angeles, as 37.

The ceremony was attended by parents of the bride, Greek-born Constantin Szezo is head of the Lausanne firm of "Matiss"—which builds equipment for railroads.

Patty's mother, who lives in Los Angeles where he was born, was unable to travel to Switzerland for the wedding. His father died several years ago.—AP.



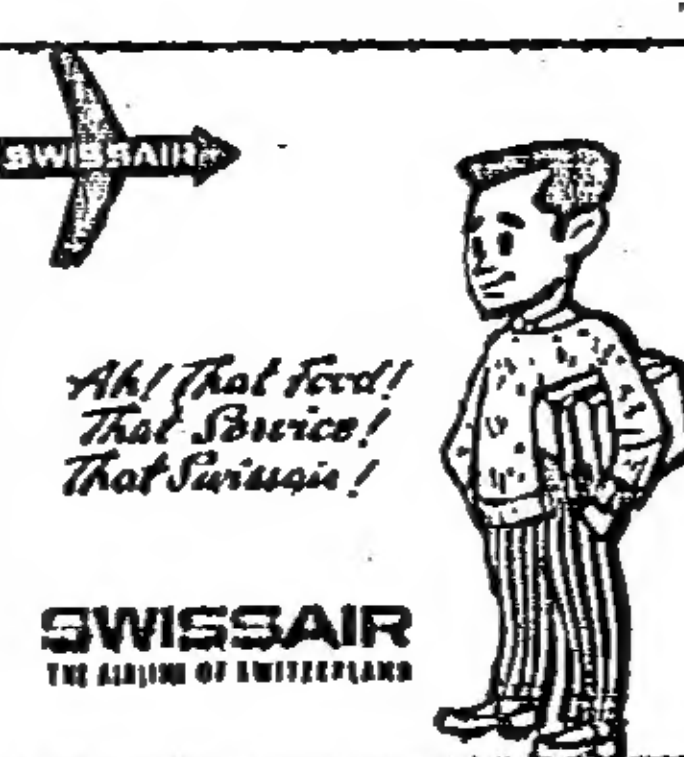
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YOUTH ACCUSED OF BOY'S MURDER

Accused of the murder of a 16-year-old boy whose body was found in a pool of water yesterday in Tsun Wan, a 10-year-old youth, Ko Tak-wai, unemployed, was remanded for four days in jail custody by Mr. J. E. Dargan at North Kowloon Court this morning.

Detective Inspector Lal Kim-hung appeared for the Police.

No plea was taken.

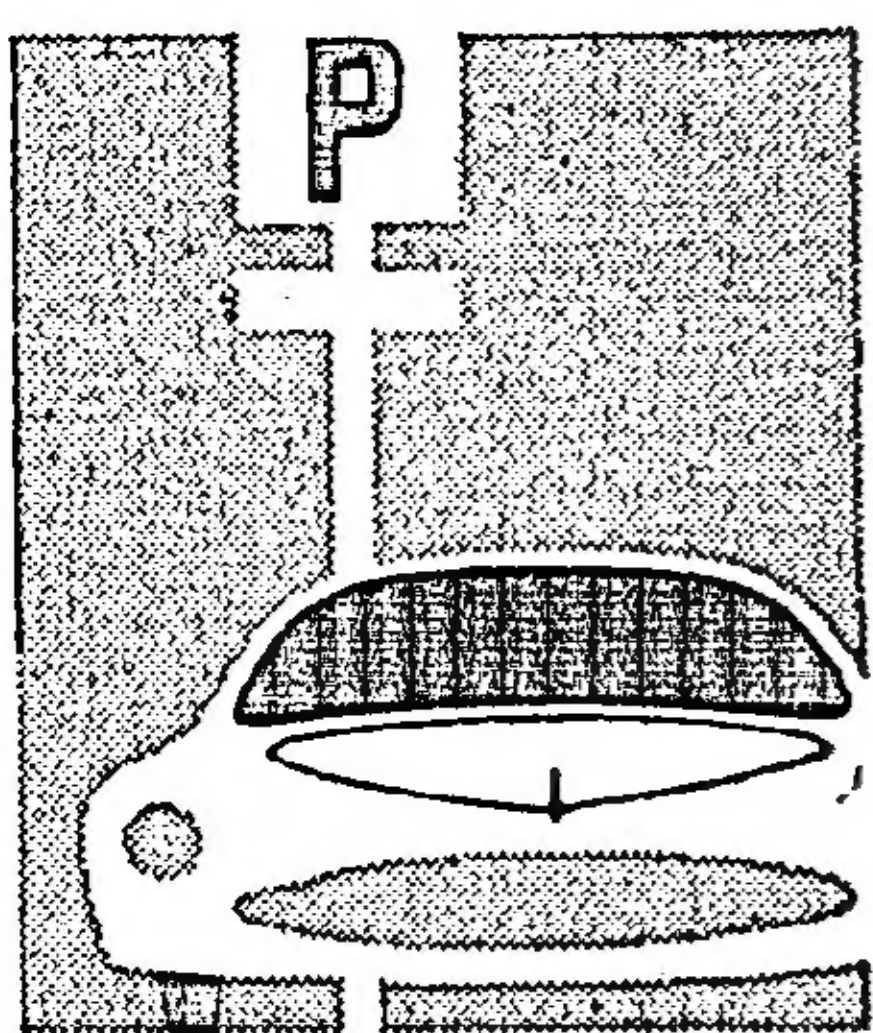
BIG CITY HOLD-UP LATEST

Police are continuing their inquiries into Tuesday morning's daring city hold-up in which two employees of the Chiu Bank of Ice House-street were robbed of \$50,000 in cash.

Inquiries yesterday spread to Macao, a Police spokesman confirmed today.

Det-Insp R. G. Laurel of the Anti-Triad Squad is reported to have visited Macao.

But there are no fresh developments in the case and Police are continuing their inquiries and search in Hongkong for the two men who held up the bank employees with a revolver in a crowded city street, grabbed a leather bag containing the money and then sprinted off into a side lane and finally disappeared in the mid-morning crowds on Des Voeux-road.

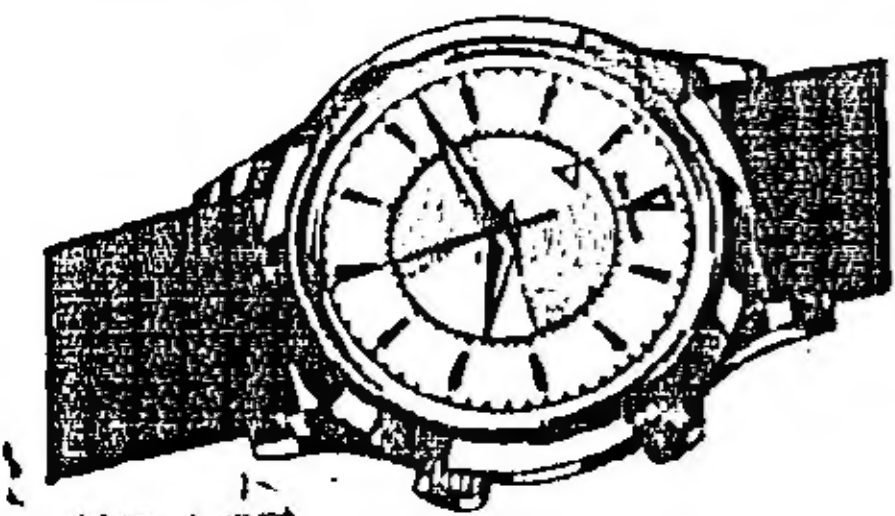


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FIRST SECTION OF TRADE FAIR HERE

American-manufactured motor car spare parts and accessories for the Mobile Exhibition were discharged in seven containers from the Flying Hawk in mid-stream this morning.

This is the first of 10 sections of the US\$1 million Mobile Trade Fair sponsored by the Isbrandtsen Steamship Company to be held in Hongkong.

A further nine sections of the Fair featuring other American products will be exhibited in the Colony later in the year. They are also being exhibited in other parts of the world.

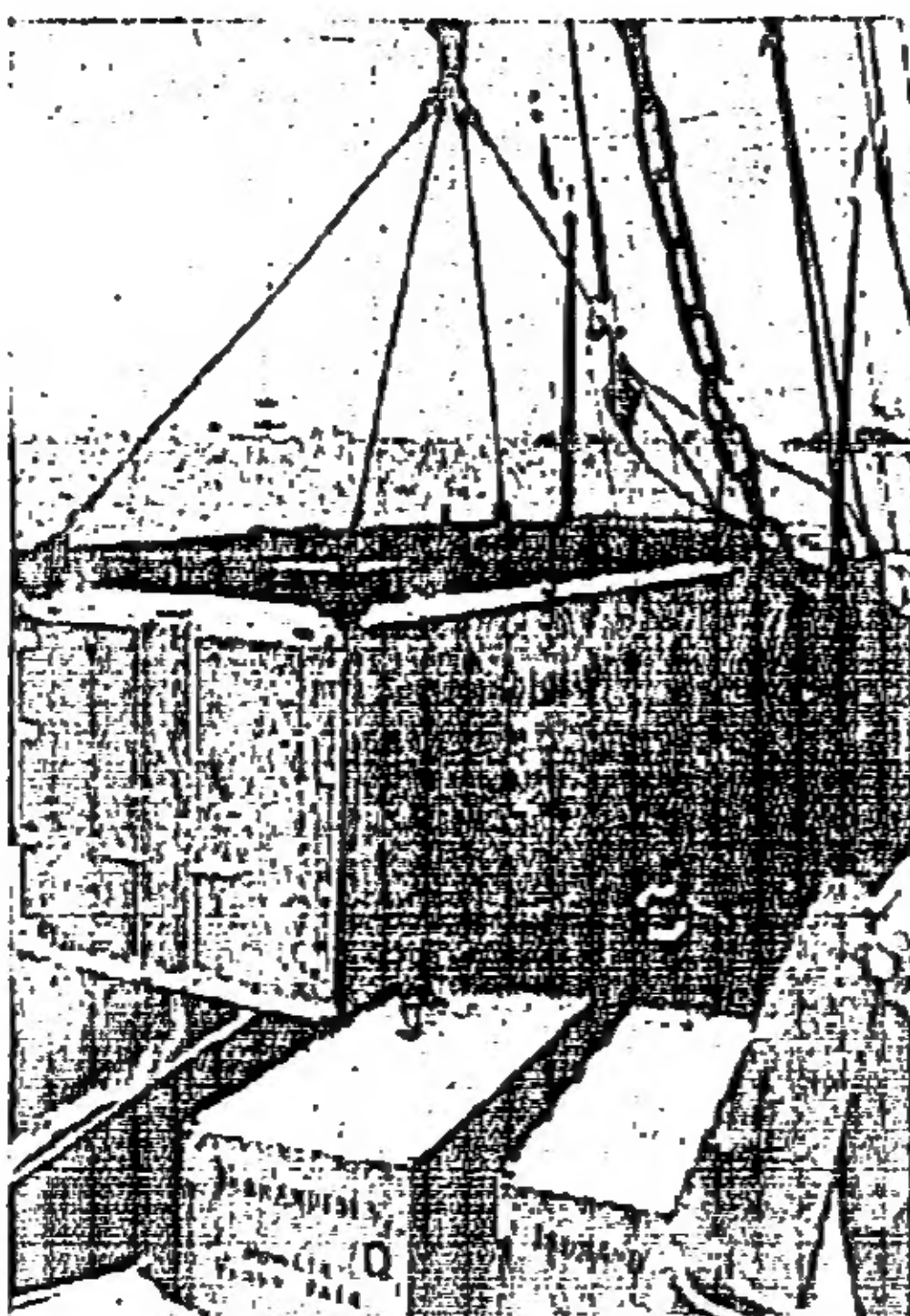
FIRST RESPONSE

A company representative said this morning that by staging the Fair, the Isbrandtsen Line was the first private concern to respond to President Kennedy's request for an all-out effort to boost overseas trade.

The exhibits will be on display on No. 5 Pier of the Kowloon Wharf.

A cocktail party for 600 guests will be held on Monday to mark the opening of the Fair which will be open to the public the next day for four days.

The exhibits will then be shipped by the Isbrandtsen Endeavour to Keelung where they will next be displayed.



Rescue of a dog

A black and tan mongrel bitch bearing ear tattoo No. 300, was rescued from the Waterloo-road nullah this morning by Chief Inspector J. P. Balera of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Animals.

This is the second occasion a dog was found trapped in the Waterloo nullah this year. The first occasion was earlier this year when an Alsatian was rescued.

COOLIE JAILED FOR INDECENT ASSAULT

A 20-year-old man, who indecently assaulted a 16-year-old girl aboard a sampun in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter, was jailed for six months by Mr Derek Cons at Central Court this morning.

The youth, Li Chun-ming, whose occupation was given as a coolie, residing at 210 Portland-street, ground floor, pleaded guilty and begged the Magistrate not to send him to jail because he had to support his parents. He added that it was his first offence.

Mr Cons said Li should have thought of the consequences before committing the offence. He could see no alternative but to send Li to prison for six months, Mr Cons added.

A SAMPUN
Detective Inspector Kong Fung-chuk earlier told the Court that the victim was a 16-year-old girl who operated a sampun in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter. At about 11 pm on Monday, Li and another man hired the girl's sampun to go out to a cargo junk in the shelter. After the man had boarded the junk, Li was left alone on the sampun with the girl.

Instructed by Li, the girl rowed the sampun elsewhere and tied it to a motor boat. Li then committed the indecent assault on the girl, who put up a struggle but was overpowered. Li also threatened the girl and ordered her not to yell.

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Later, Li asked the girl to take him alongside a lighter which he boarded. The girl told her sister-in-law the following day and the incident was reported to the police.

Yesterday morning the girl took the police to the lighter where the last saw Li and Li was arrested. Inquiries revealed that the girl had not consented to Li's act.

FIVE HURT IN CRASH: BIG TRAFFIC HOLD-UP

Five people were slightly injured when a car overturned on the Tai-po-road late yesterday afternoon.

The accident held up a line of about 250 cars stretching from the scene of the accident near the six-mile stone down to the new North Kowloon Magistracy.

The car, according to the Police, was negotiating a bend when it skidded and hit a retaining wall and then crashed onto its side.

The five injured were not detained in hospital.

WATCHMAN DRUNK

Kishan Vassanlal Ramchandani, 33-year-old Indian watchman, living at 371 Queen's-road East, ground floor, pleaded guilty to being drunk in a public place, and was cautioned by Mr. T. L. Yang at Central Court this morning.

Inspector Y. C. Lam said that at about 10.35 pm last night, Ramchandani was seen by a policeman on the footpath in Queen's-road East near Stubbs-road. The policeman then took the man to Queen's-may Hospital where he was certified to be drunk.

Inspector Lam added that the defendant had a clear record.

LETTERS FROM YOU TO THE EDITOR Unfair to secretaries

dear sir

More often than not your "Comment of the Day" presents both sides of a question and suggests that one of them is reasonably right. In this way you fulfil a duty, that of guiding public opinion, and you do it eminently well.

But your "Comment" of April 3 seemed, at least to me, to border on the unfair. Could not the secretary's "Sorry, I do not know" be precisely the right answer when her boss is in fact sitting about in his club or at Fanning on any other day than Wednesday?

Is she not displaying loyalty of the highest order by feigning ignorance when the truth might precipitate a crisis? Again, you complain that subordinate staff lead one to believe that a simple answer to a simple question is as far as they are from the sailing date of a vessel in time of war. Surely the blame for such an ideology rests squarely on the narrow shoulders of her incompetent boss, who may be an executive but so often is no administrator!

A good executive (horrid word) delegates authority right down to the office boy, and by force of personality and example he receives. In return for his faith, efficiency and loyalty. And if this premise be correct, I venture to suggest that all must for "better management" can never substitute for the mark of a good executive—leadership, a flair rather than an acquiescence.

No Sir, I cannot agree with the suggestion that the average secretary is a nincompoop. Instead, could she not be the sad reflection of an incompetent senior who may be seeking (if he is trying at all) to acquire the impossible? I do indeed believe your colleague's story, for almost certainly had both Lieutenant X and Captain So-and-So been in, your colleague would have heard "Just a minute, old boy, I'll ask the Major."

MASTERLY INACTIVITY.

dear sir

Car pavements?

The preoccupation with multi-story car parks and the money needed to support them—and taxpayers' money at that—appears to be a waste of valuable land and a policy which appears to be barking up the wrong tree.

Superb cello concert

By D. E. GRAY

THE Music Society in association with the Sino-German Cultural Association of Hongkong presented Professor Ludwig Hoelscher, the famous German cellist in a recital at Loke Yew Hall last evening.

The concert was an outstanding success from beginning to end, but the highlight of the evening undoubtedly was the unaccompanied Sarabande and Prelude by Bach, the "Toccata Frescobaldi" and the beautiful Adagio movement in the D major Haydn Cello Concerto.

The cello is an instrument particularly suited for legato playing, and Ludwig Hoelscher brings an incredibly deep rich flowing tone from his fine Ruggieri instrument. Most instruments are good in the middle register, but Professor Hoelscher's tone seemed to be equally rich in all registers. The Bach Sarabande was superbly played. Surely after hearing this performance no one could ever say Bach was dull!

The Beethoven Variations on a Mozart theme were delightful for their grace and delicacy. A very interesting work was the opening F-major Sonata by Richard Strauss. This is obviously an early work scored rather heavily for the piano, particularly in the first movement, and I found the balance especially at the beginning weighted a little too much in favour of the piano. In the second movement it settled down.

It is good that Professor Hoelscher should break new ground. The cello sonata repertoire is so meagre and one becomes so accustomed to

The Town Planning Board should have insisted if they have not already recommended that builders of houses, estates or hotels must provide parking pavements around their sites, or the basement level parking, and this requirement should have been confirmed by legislation long ago.

It is known that every wise builder of a private home puts in provision for a garage in case his wealth increases so should our road and estate development schemes. If we are crowded for space a wide street pavement, covered or uncovered with half the space allotted to cars will take cars off our existing narrow roads. It will also permit tenants to park right under their own buildings.

This will mean narrowing the pavement allotted to pedestrians but, in cases of large building blocks walking inside the arcades would be better than the outside pavements and where no arcades exist the shopwindows in practically every building could be moved back four, five or six feet to improve the pedestrians' lot. If necessary, Anyway there is still the basement to consider or even the mezzanine floor.

Whatever the case may be, big or small sites, commercial or domestic buildings provisions must be made for parking cars (garaging perhaps is a better word) and this must be enforced by law.

As a start the law can concern itself with new building permits and stage by stage carry out the "garages for cars" enforcement to every tenement starting with the areas where traffic and vehicle congestion

has become a menace to road users.

It is very noticeable that where land and road developments are going on, such as the Naval Dockyard-road and the Kai Tak-road little provision is made for passengers to alight alongside the road much less to park. If we cannot have wider roads because of expense at least leave vacant lots on either side of the roads, and in the centre in a dual lane road, large enough for cars to stop and park.

A TENANT SEEKING A GARAGE FOR HIS CAR.

dear sir

More English please!

It is a well-known fact that many working class families in Hongkong are unable to afford the luxury of secondary education for their many children. On the other hand, as it is still impossible to accommodate all the school-age children in the schools, will the Government consider the advisability of allowing more English to be taught in those so-called Chinese medium primary schools so that those children who are privileged enough to have been admitted may be better equipped with a little more knowledge of English and thus improve their chance in the employment market.

Will the able Director of the Education Department give some consideration to the above request?

A GROUP OF ANXIOUS PARENTS.

'Old Believers' almost all repatriated now

One of the last groups of the White Russian 'Old Believers' sect left here today by Swissair for Rome en route to South America.

They consisted of eight families of 65 people ranging from babes-in-arms, to an old woman of 80.

The specially-chartered Swissair aircraft will take them to Rome. They will then travel to Genoa. They will board a ship at the Italian port which will transport them to Santos, Brazil.

With the help of the World Council of Churches and the Inter-Governmental Committee for European Migration, the 'Old Believers' have been resettled in a special colony at

Parana in Brazil over the past two years.

According to an ICEM spokesman, this colony is now completely self-sufficient. It is being administered by the W.C.C.

Since January this year 1,000 White Russian refugees have been sent from Hongkong to various parts of the world by air and sea.

The ICEM spokesman also pointed out that with the departure of a further group of the 'Old Believers' next Thursday, they will practically all have been successfully taken care of.

From the Files

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COMMENTED the Morning Post on the execution of Bruno Hauptmann: "Thus ends a distressing drama, not altogether creditable to its producers. Respected twice, he underwent mental torture pathetically hoping to the last moment that something would occur to save him. His case became in some degree a political issue.

"Like another Sergeant Grischka, he assumed a fatal importance. Guilty or not, he was sacrificed to the mob. When the Lindbergh kidnapping occurred, and again when the murder was revealed, public sympathy and indignation were intense, demanding that the perpetrators be discovered and adequately punished.

"The memory of the parents' agony is still fresh and there can be no cavil at the implementation of justice. Nevertheless, in his last few weeks Hauptmann in turn had become the object of sympathy. In America there seems to have been many who hoped for his escape."

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His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr C. B. Burgess to be Administrative Assistant, Sanitary Department.

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THE death of Mr M. A. Cooper, lecturer in economics at the Hongkong University, has occurred. He was aged 81. He came to Hongkong first in 1930. He had been in indifferent health for some time. During his residence in the Colony the late Mr Cooper took an active interest in charitable and philanthropic work, and in particular he will be remembered for his untiring and devoted energies in the interests of the Society for the Protection of Children.

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His Excellency has nominated Mr V. M. Grayburn and Mr P. S. Cassidy as members of the Court of the University of Hongkong for a further period of three years.



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